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Texas Offers To Give Agency To Southern Body

DALLAS (BP) — The executive board of the Baptist General Convention of Texas has voted to transfer its \$2 million church loan corporation as a gift to the Southern Baptist Convention if the SBC agrees to certain conditions.

The conditions are that the "SBC accepts it (the gift) with a sense of obligation to use properly the agency in the keeping with the original plans for the organization to help finance churches in pioneer areas."

This apparently indicated that the \$2 million should be administered through some agency or organization not now existing.

The offer also represented a desire of the Texas board to end its church loan operations outside of Texas. The Texas convention has loaned money to many churches in western and midwestern states for building. The Texas board will continue to loan money to churches within Texas.

The board approved a management analysis of statewide Baptist operations. Booz, Allen, and Hamilton, already conducting or having made studies for the Southern Baptist Convention and several other Baptist groups, will handle the survey.

The management analysis probably will begin Jan. 15. It will take eight to 10 months to complete and the board hopes to report findings of the survey to the annual session of the Texas convention in Nov. 1958.

State's Gifts To SBC Show Gain

NASHVILLE (BP) — Cooperative Program and designated gifts forwarded from Mississippi to the Southern Baptist Convention through Nov. 30 are running ahead of the first 11 months of 1956, according to SBC Treasurer Porter Routh.

The state's total Cooperative Program gifts to work of the Southern Baptist Convention at large totaled \$556,629 through November compared with \$526,962 at the same time last year.

Designations from Mississippi were \$385,397 compared with \$343,496 through November, 1956.

Routh reported that Convention Cooperative Program receipts for January-November amounted to \$12,945,477. Gifts for November were \$1,309,355. All Cooperative Program gifts since early October — when the basic SBC budget of \$11 million was attained — have been divided 75 per cent to foreign missions and 25 per cent to home missions.

Designated offerings for the year totaled \$8,491,222 compared with \$7,613,872 a year ago. This is an 11.52 per cent rise. Totals of Cooperative Program and designations reached \$21,436,700 compared with \$19,689,642, an increase of 8.87 per cent.

For the month of November, 1957, Mississippi contributed \$72,533 through the Cooperative Program to SBC work and \$5,668 in special designations. This made a total of \$78,201, and placed the state fifth among those in the SBC.

Texas Orphanage Declines U.S. Aid

BEEVILLE, Tex. (BP) — Trustees of South Texas Baptist Children's Home here have declined to accept federal aid.

Administrator J. M. Lunsford said that the children's home is legally eligible to share in the federal surplus commodity program under the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

(The surplus commodity program provides food of all kinds to public schools and charitable institutions for lunches. This is food acquired by the government under price support and surplus food laws. It is distributed through the state governments without charge to qualified schools and institutions.)

"Participation in these programs could mean a savings of thousands of dollars each year for South Texas Children's Home," Lunsford said.

The trustees unanimously decided that "to accept this help would be a violation of the principle of separation of church and state."



CONVENTION BOARD OFFICERS—Officers elected by the Board at its meeting last Tuesday were, from left: Rev. W. L. Day, vice-president; Rev. W. L. Meadows, president (reelected); and Rev. Charlie Webb, recording secretary.

Reactions Follow In Wake Of 1957 Session North Carolina Convention

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP) — Although the 1957 Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has ended, its decisions apparently will have lasting effects and reactions.

Within a short time after the convention closed, these were some of the effects and reactions:

1. The convention expressed its disapproval of churches accepting associate members although recognizing the right of churches to act as they please. The convention's disapproval stemmed at least in part from the practice of Wake Forest Baptist Church at Winston-Salem.

The Sunday immediately following the convention, Wake Forest Church accepted another associate member.

2. The convention rejected for the third straight year the effort by James M. Bulman, pastor at East Spencer, to debate a question of church autonomy which he has proposed.

The next Sunday the East Spencer Church passed a resolution asking the convention to apologize to the church for the

convention's actions. Bulman declared to his congregation that it was being "taxed without representation" and that the convention is "taking our money without allowing us the representation granted to us by the constitution."

Dancing Prohibited
3. The convention reaffirmed its 1937 stand prohibiting dances on the campus of Baptist (Continued on Page 2)

Oklahoma Voters Defeat County Option Proposal

OKLAHOMA CITY (RNS) — A proposed constitutional amendment providing for county option elections on 3.2 beer was defeated by more than 61,000 votes in a special statewide election.

Returns from 3,193 of the state's 3,220 precincts showed 274,201 votes against the proposal and 213,045 in favor.

The turnout of nearly half a million voters was a record for a special election in Oklahoma.

The result was a defeat for the Oklahoma United Dry Association which fought for two years to have the issue placed on the ballot.

"We are not licked," said Dr. Stanley B. Niles, executive secretary of the association. "We are not going to give up. It is obvious we failed to convince thousands of people of the merits of county option."

Gov. Raymond Gary, who had backed the drys' fight, said: "The people have spoken and that settles the issue at the present time. However, it does not change my personal feeling on the wet versus dry issue."

Both the wets and drys campaigned vigorously on the issue. The wets claimed Oklahomans would pay higher taxes without beer. The drys countered that money spent for beer would go for other items coming under the state's two percent sales tax. They also said that beer is the cause of many broken homes, crime and moral problems.

Prior to the election, Dr. T. B. Lackey, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, urged in a television speech that voters back the amendment.

Cooperative Program Receipts Show Gain For November

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for November totaled \$124,591.18, a gain of \$6,513.71 over November, 1956.

The above increase represented a gain of 5.52%, it was revealed by Dr. Joe T. Odle, associate executive secretary.

Drive Launched Against Indecent Christmas Cards

PHILADELPHIA (RNS) — A drive against the sale and display of indecent Christmas cards was launched here with the arrest of the proprietor of a magazine and greeting card shop.

Morris Rosenthal, 39, was charged with violating Pennsylvania's obscenity laws. He was released on \$500 bail for court trial soon.

Hundreds of cards described as "definitely blasphemous in character" and 1,000 copies of lewd magazines were confiscated at the shop by Chief of County Detectives Thomas McDermott and Detectives Norman Tyree and John O'Brien.

Chief McDermott said his office had received many complaints that the establishment was selling greeting cards of a highly suggestive nature—many of them based on the Christmas theme.

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Convention Board Chooses Leadership For Year 1958

Meadows Reelected President; Exec. Committee Elects Landrum

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, in its Dec. 3 meeting, elected its leadership this year.

The Board opened its session with the reelection of Rev. W. L. Meadows of Quitman as president.

Elected as vice-president was Rev. W. L. Day, of Tupelo, while Rev. Charlie Webb, of Cleveland, was named as recording secretary.

The Board next completed the election of its Executive Committee by naming the following six members to be added to the officers above to complete the nine-man committee:

Rev. Clifton Perkins, West Point; Dr. C. C. Stacy, Water Valley; Dr. Earl Kelly, Holly Springs; M. F. Rayburn, Meridian; Rev. N. F. Davis, Mendenhall; and Dr. John W. Landrum, Grenada.

Four of the members of the Executive Committee, Dr. Landrum, Mr. Meadows, Dr. Kelly, and Mr. Day, are hold-over members from last year's Committee while the other five are new to committee membership.

Dr. Chester L. Quarles was re-elected as executive secretary-treasurer.

Exec. Committee Meets
This year's committee has two laymen, Mr. Rayburn and Dr. Stacy, while the other members are clergymen. The Executive Committee held its first meeting soon after the Board adjourned and elected officers.

Dr. Landrum was selected as president; Dr. Kelly, vice-president and Mr. Webb recording secretary. (Continued on Page 2)

KANSAS CITY — Differences among Protestants, Roman Catholics and Jews should be regarded as a "variety of competition" and not as "conflict," an official of the American Jewish Congress urged here.

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Warren To Direct 30,000 Movement

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (BP) — C. Warren, immediate past president of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been called by the SBC Home Mission and Sunday School Boards to direct a movement to establish 30,000 new SBC churches and missions.

He has announced his resignation as pastor of First Baptist Church here to assume his new duties Jan. 1. He will continue residence in Charlotte.

In his first address as president of the Convention — at Kansas City in May, 1956 — Warren challenged Southern Baptists to start 30,000 new missions and churches by 1964, when Baptists in North America celebrate the 150th anniversary of organized Baptist work on a national scale.

His challenge was accepted by the Convention, and for two years plans have been made to reach this goal.

While Warren will work under the joint direction of the Sunday School and Home Mission Boards he will also work with other Convention boards and agencies in this movement.

Warren will remain as a member of the Baptist Jubilee Committee, and chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention's Jubilee Advance Committee, both of which concern goals to be reached by the Jubilee Year, 1964.

National Council Elects Dahlberg As President

SAINT LOUIS, Mo. (BP) — A pastor of a church affiliated with both Southern and American Conventions is the new president of the National Council of Churches. He is Edwin T. Dahlberg, of the Delmar Baptist Church, Saint Louis, described

as "the Northern Church with a Southern exposure" in the nominating speech. Though acknowledging himself as a minister in good standing with the Southern Baptist Convention most of Dahlberg's ministry has been with churches in the American Baptist Convention.

The new president's ecumenical background includes a six-year membership on the central committee of the World Council of Churches and active participation in the 1949-50 movement to bring about the union of the Disciples of Christ and the American Baptist Convention. When asked by reporters if he thought Southern Baptists would affiliate with the National Council he said, "I hope so, but there is no indication at present."

SBC Mentioned
Southern Baptists were frequently mentioned at the National Council meeting here for its fourth triennial assembly. Eugene Carson Blake, outgoing president, in his message on the state of the Council, asked the group "to re-examine theologically the whole Council movement and its various programs."

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"AND SO THE MILLENNIUM"

SAINT LOUIS, Mo. (BP) — Methodists have a new appreciation of Southern Baptists, according to the following story printed in the daily newspaper of the National Council of Churches in session here:

"Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam presented some startling information to delegates attending the triennial general assembly of the National Council of Churches here.

"Bishop Oxnam reported that he had been reliably informed by a Southern Baptist statistician that, if the present rate of growth continues, there will be more Southern Baptists than people by the year 2015.

"And so the millennium."

"AND IT CAME TO PASS in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed..." (Luke 2:1)—Home Board Photo.

Kittiwake Ready For Use During Evangelistic Meet

The cabin facilities at Kittiwake Assembly will be made available to those who desire them for use during the State Evangelistic Conference at Gulfport Feb. 10-12, it has been announced by W. R. Roberts, manager.

There will be no charge for accommodations and reservations will be accepted until filled on a "first come-first served" basis.

The only meal to be served will be breakfast and although there will be no charge for this, those who desire to pay may do so.

About 200 men can be accommodated in the cabins. All motel-unit space has been filled with requests already in.

Those using the facilities will be required to bring their own linens and blankets. The cabins are heated and will be comfortable.

Those desiring accommodations are asked to write to Mr. Roberts, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

JOINS STAFF AT 1ST, MOSS POINT



Troy Sandifer, Jr.
Troy Sandifer, Jr., Minister of Music and Education, has recently accepted a call to First Church, Moss Point. He and the pastor, Rev. Van H. Hardin, assumed their duties Nov. 17.

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CONVENTION BOARD ELECTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — Meeting at Baptist Building here last week, members of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board elected officers and named members of the Executive Committee. Seated, left to right, officers are, Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, executive secretary-treasurer; Rev. W. L. Day, Tupelo, vice-president; Rev. W. L. Meadows, Quitman, president; Rev. Charlie Webb, Cleveland, recording secretary; Dr. Joe T. Odle, Jackson, associate executive secretary. Standing, are members of the executive committee, Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., Mendenhall; Dr. C. C. Stacy, Water Valley; Rev. Clifton Perkins, West Point; M. F. Rayburn, Meridian; Dr. John W. Landrum, Grenada; and Dr. Earl Kelly, Holly Springs. The Executive Committee includes the officers of the Board.

Reactions Follow ---

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colleges. This reversed action several months earlier by trustees of two Baptist colleges—Wake Forest and Meredith—to permit supervised on-campus dancing.

A few days later, Dr. George Paschal, Jr., a Raleigh surgeon and Wake Forest College trustee, announced that he would introduce a resolution at the next trustees meeting to authorize on-campus dancing despite the convention's stand.

Dr. Paschal said "It is my hope, of course, that the college and its board of trustees can win and keep the confidence and support of the Baptist State Convention. But I am unwilling to have that support and that confidence at the price of submitting educational policy to convention supervision."

National Council ---

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He gave as his reason, "only as we can do this will the great churches still outside our membership, the Missouri Synod Lutherans and Southern Baptists, be willing to reconsider their relation to the National Council and the main stream of Christianity in the United States." Blake stressed that re-examination is already in progress and gave three examples:

1. The practice of inviting the great theologians into more of the meetings, "to the end that the thought and discussions shall be deeply oriented in the best available insights into the nature of the gospel itself."
2. Entrance into discussions on faith and order which before had been avoided.
3. An effort to "build the kind of evangelistic structure that will stand all scrutiny and will win persons to the Lord Jesus Christ."

THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

MAJOR MUSIC PRESENTATIONS ANNOUNCED AT BLUE MOUNTAIN

Brooks Haynes, Professor of Music at Blue Mountain College, announces full information concerning two of the Music Department's major presentations of the 1957-58 season.

Convention Board ---

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A tabulation reveals that the Board membership of 76 includes fourteen laymen and sixty clergymen. Two vacancies exist at present.

The Board does much of its work through its three standing committees and seven administrative committees. The standing committees are:

Audit, Budget, and Allocations: Rev. W. L. Day, Rev. P. D. Bragg, Rev. D. C. Applegate, Rev. Carey Cox, Mr. M. F. Rayburn.

Assemblies Committee: Mr. L. O. Crosby, Jr., Dr. Elmer Nielsen, Dr. S. L. Bailey, Rev. Ulvie Fitts, Rev. Charlie Webb.

Temperance Committee: Dr. Douglas Hudgins, Rev. Nat Mayhall, Rev. E. L. Scruggs, Rev. Sam Brown, Rev. Mel Craft.

Committees Elect

Baptist Record Committee: Dr. John Landrum, Rev. J. W. T. Siler, Rev. Guy Henderson, Rev. H. P. Porter, Rev. E. R. Quattlebaum.

Baptist Student Union Committee: Rev. N. F. Greer, Rev. James M. Moore, Rev. Marvin K. Lee, Rev. Ivor Clark, Rev. Ab. Robertson, Mr. Auber J. Wilds.

Brotherhood Committee: Rev. Gilly Green, Rev. J. P. Everette, Rev. Clark McMurray, Rev. W. T. Douglas.

Building Committee: Rev. Ira Bright, Dr. G. W. Land, Rev. W. L. Meadows, Rev. K. Z. Stephens, Rev. A. G. Graham, Mr. P. E. Cunningham.

Cooperative Missions Committee: Mr. J. W. Miller, Rev. W. M. Reeves, Rev. B. D. Isaac, Dr. W. M. Averett, Mr. A. L. Beavers.

Music Committee: Rev. M. E. Perry, Dr. C. C. Stacy, Rev. S. R. Pridgen, Rev. P. C. Perkins, Rev. John Flower.

Negro Work Committee: Dr. Earl Kelly, Rev. Robert E. Jones, Rev. J. R. Nanney, Rev. U. G. Salter, Rev. Byron Mathis, Rev. David Cranford.

Pastoral Aid Committee: Rev. Harry Phillips, Rev. William C. Beam, Rev. H. T. McLaurin, Rev. W. L. Marsh, Rev. Ervin Brown, Mr. P. O. Gibson.

Promotion, Evangelism, and Stewardship: Rev. R. C. Holcomb, Rev. E. E. Willis, Rev. Paul Brown, Mr. F. H. Hammond, Rev. Harry F. Jones.

Sunday School Committee: Dr. D. L. Hill, Dr. D. Lewis White, Rev. Marcus Alexander, Mr. Noel E. Chambers, Rev. Thomas Gregg.

Training Union Committee: Rev. N. F. Davis, Rev. W. F. Garner, Mr. L. R. White, Rev. M. S. Varnado, Mr. D. W. Daughdrill, Rev. J. B. Smith.

On Sunday evening, December 15 at 7:30 in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium of Blue Mountain College, the Chorus will present the annual Christmas sacred Music Program. Organ and piano music will be rendered by Thomas L. Gentry, Associate Professor of Music at the college and Lester H. Groom, Instructor of Organ at the pipe organ. The public is cordially invited.

On the evening of February 28 at 8 o'clock in the same auditorium, the annual operetta of the College will be presented. "SWEETHEARTS" by Victor Herbert is the choice of the Music Department. The cast and chorus have been selected, and early blocking rehearsals have begun. After the premiere showing in Blue Mountain, the entire cast and chorus will go on a week's tour giving other towns and schools the opportunity of attending the operetta.

The Christmas Music Program will be directed by Brooks Haynes, who will also direct the music for the operetta. The accompanist for the two major presentations is Thomas L. Gentry. Dramatics for the operetta will be directed by Misses Kay Cawood and Mildred Millikin of the Speech Department of the College.

Covington Assoc. Opposes Sale And Advertising Alcohol

Covington County Association, Mrs. C. C. Rogers, Association Clerk, which met in annual session at New Hope Church, adopted resolutions asking that Governor Coleman "take a firm stand against legalizing the sale of alcohol in our state. We believe that any intoxicating beverage is harmful to the body, soul, and mind, and that anything morally wrong should not be made legally right. We also ask the governor to do everything in his power to get the blackmarket tax law repealed."

The association also adopted resolutions opposing the advertising of beer in the News Commercial of the country, stating their belief that "advertising any kind of alcohol in a dry county is unethical. While we realize that we live in a country where a man can print and advertise that which we believe in, we also have the freedom not to print that which we have convictions against, and there are many editors in our country who will not advertise the liquor industry."

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Dedication ceremonies were held here for the Baron Hirsch Synagogue of Memphis which houses the largest Orthodox Jewish sanctuary in the country.

Laymen Urged To Stop Being Tongue-tied About Religion

CHICAGO (RNS) — A Southern Baptist leader told a laymen's convention of the Reformed Church in America here that Christian men tend to be tongue-tied about their religion.

George W. Schroeder of Memphis, executive secretary of the SBC's Brotherhood Commission, warned the 1,000 delegates to the convention that "it's not enough to pay the bills and let somebody else do the missionary work."

"We let opportunities slip by when we could say a word for Christ because we don't know how to present our faith to others," he said.

Mr. Schroeder urged the men to "speak up to the man who works beside us who is not a Christian." A New Testament lying on the office desk of every believer, he said, would serve as a "silent invitation" to the interested to inquire about Christianity.

He suggested that Christian laymen mark passages in their New Testaments "that would guide them in sitting down to lead another to Christ."

Mr. Schroeder also urged the men to work with boys in the church "to assure strong laymen tomorrow."

Dr. Harold John Ockenga,

chairman of the National Association of Evangelicals' International Commission, spoke on the convention theme, "Co-Laborers With God." He is pastor of Park Street church in Boston.

"The men of the church are challenged today as never before," he said. This challenge, Dr. Ockenga said, derived from "the impending threat of ruthless and aggressive atheism," from stresses such as racial misunderstanding over integration, crime increase, and "deterioration" of morals, and from "opportunities ensuing from widespread religious interest."

Spiritual Dedication

"The summons is to a new personal discipline, spiritual, dedication to Christ, and an aggressive application of the principles of Christianity to the social scene," the NAE official said.

Calling upon laymen to pursue "a God-given vocation," Dr. Ockenga said:

"Work which is creative is a blessing but sin has turned much work into drudgery thru the competitive system. The Bible confers dignity upon work and commands all believers to labor with brain or brawn so as to have to give to others, to be no burden, and to take a creative place in society."

Progress Noted In Perry Association

Luther K. Turner, Clerk, reports that the 17 churches of Perry County Association have shown marked improvement during the past year. All have a full-time program of work except three, eleven with the pastor living on the field.

The churches reported \$341.00 in Associational Missions, with a total mission expenditure of \$8583.00. There were 92 baptisms reported, 108 additions by letter, and 189 tithers.

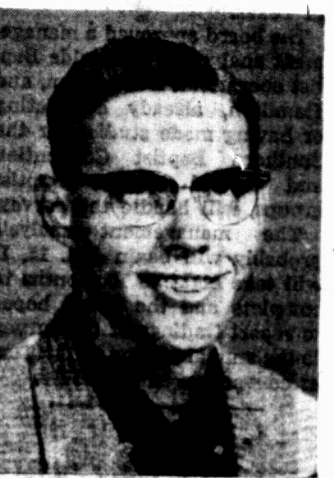
The total church membership in the county is 2822, with a Sunday School enrollment of 1601 and Training Union enrollment of 868. There were 972 enrolled in Bible School. Twelve of the churches have W. M. U., seven have Brotherhood, and four report R. A. Chapters. Total church property is valued at \$345,700.00.

The association met this year at the Prospect Church and will meet next year at the Brewer Church.

Officers elected for the coming year were: W. L. Yeatman, re-elected moderator; Pettis Walley, vice-moderator; Luther K. Turner, clerk; and Roland Hinton, treasurer.

The Association voted to take part in the evangelistic campaign in 1959.

IS LICENSED AT WHITESAND



David Sidney Lane, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lane, was recently licensed to the gospel ministry by the Whitesand Church of Prentiss. Sidney is a Foreign Mission volunteer and is presently a junior in Prentiss High School.

Sidney's older brother, Hilton, is also in the ministry, having been ordained by the Whitesand Church earlier this year and is now a student in New Orleans Seminary.

Rev. S. R. Pridgen is pastor at Whitesand.

1958 Graded Study Series For Home Missions



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LOOK, LOOK THE CITIES! by Albert McClellan is the study for both Adults and Young People. It emphasizes the need of missions in our cities. 50 cents each.

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ADULTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

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MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE BEAUTIES—Beauties at Mississippi College this year are: front, left to right, Liz Waldrop, Jackson senior; Haroldine Johnson, Birmingham freshman; Most Beautiful; Ricky Thornton, Kosciusko freshman; rear, Virginia Haynes, Columbus sophomore; and Elaine Fitts, Memphis senior. These beauties will be featured in the MC yearbook, The Tribesman. They were selected by an off-campus board of judges appointed by yearbook editor Hubert Staley, Jackson senior.



"AN OFFERING BOX IN EVERY ROOM" is a part of the annual Lottie Moon Christmas offering at Mississippi College. Sponsored by the Young Women's Association, a goal of \$2,000 has been set. Getting the program underway are: Mrs. Silas B. Cooper, YWA campus counselor; Miss Thelma Crick, Indianola, Executive President of YWA; and Miss Janelle Landrum, Clinton, stewardship chairman. Speaking to the student body during the campaign will be Miss Edyth Montroy of Drew, missionary to Nigeria.



U. N. GREETING CARD—UNITED NATIONS—This holiday greeting card showing a Madonna and Child on its cover is being distributed in the U. S. and other parts of the world this year by the United Nations Children's Fund. It is the first UNICEF card to have a religious motif and the first to mention Christmas since the fund started selling greeting cards in 1950. The red, blue and green cover shows a mother and baby painted by Gladys Rockmore Davis of New York, a portrait artist. Although done in the traditional concept of a Madonna and Child, it represents all mothers and children everywhere. The card is the only one mentioning Christmas of 10 placed on sale here and abroad by the UNICEF to help support its work for



needy mothers and children in various countries of the world.—(RNS Photo).

In A Case Like This Whose Fault Is It?

by
Hal D. Bennett
Vardaman, Miss.

Young Pastor Merrit was worried. Just before leaving for the pastors' conference he had broached an old settler in his town about becoming a Christian, and had been rebuffed. By his own admission Old Settler had never been to church much; he had never thought of himself as a sinner; he had never at all considered making a public profession of faith, and he had sooner keep his business open all day Sunday than not.

Furthermore, he resented any newcomer to town coming into his place and implying that he was a heathen. "I've got a hope," he said. "Don't bother me, and don't worry about me."

"Now just what is that hope?" Pastor Merrit asked. "If he is not a Christian through an experience of grace, and all his influence has been at least not in favor of Christian fellowship and worship, where can he find what he calls hope?"

"He isn't a bad man," an older pastor remarked. "I have known him for 50 years. The man always stayed at home and minded his own business. He probably never made an enemy."

But still the question persisted. What hope had such a one for the life everlasting, as implied in his claim? What convinced him that a hope was desirable without explaining to him the facts of Christian faith that went with it?

Sermons, Mostly

Mostly these people get their twisted ideas from funeral orations by men such as were present at the pastors' conference. There are many Old Settlers. Most communities have one or more, men who have lived without them. But in the Bible Belt nearly everybody attends funerals. The worst old reprobates and the previously unconcerned all attend the church funerals of their late friends.

In time the same hand that had welcomed many a penitent into the fellowship at that spot, but never Old Settler, is raised above his upturned face in prayer.

At such a time we who must conduct the services are thinking more about the bereaved family. We gasp at every straw, recalling the good we can, and in all decency forget the rest. Sometimes we surely must leave wrong impressions on the spiritually untutored minds.

"If Old Pat almost missed heaven, but made it by a hair," Old Settler will muse. "I've got it made, too. I haven't been any worse than he has."

Another poor, deluded sinner goes his way, doing what is right in his own eyes. What few worries he had have been dissolved in the soothing syrup of kind words. The preacher has reassured him. All a man needs is a hope, and he has that.

Our Recurring Dilemma

Sooner or later the pastor must face another congregation. Old Settler now is dead, leaving four generations to mourn him. Some are strangers, but some are friends, faithful members the pastor himself has baptized. What to say? O Lord, who can know it?

Only weeks before, in good health, Old Settler had laughed at the idea of preparing to meet his God. If the Holy Spirit ever had fled from a man, surely this was the man. But those broken hearts, those hunting, pleading facts—say something, preacher, say something. Hadn't grandpa said he had a hope?

Why yes, so he had. And what a comfort it is, etc., for fifteen minutes. "You were so comforting, pastor," they say later. We do like for them to say that, don't we?

Brother Merrit is young. He has not been that far with his Old Settler yet. Give him time, though, just give him time.

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INTERNATIONAL HOUSE-PARTY

This is becoming a traditional event at Camp Garaywa. The purpose of the Houseparty is to provide a Christian home atmosphere for the students from other countries who are enrolled in the colleges of our state. The Houseparty is planned by a joint committee of Mississippi WMU and the Baptist Student Union. There were 30 countries represented besides those from the United States.

Latin America had the largest representation — Venezuela 7; Honduras 7; Guatemala 5; El Salvador 5; Nicaragua 5; Cuba 4; Mexico 3; Colombia 3; two each from Chile, Ecuador, Puerto Rico and Costa Rica and one from Panama. Hawaii had the largest delegation with nine representatives. There were 5 from Korea; 4 from Hong Kong; 3 each from Iran and Jordan; 2 each from Taiwan, Estonia, Greece and 1 each from Turkey, Byelorussia, Lebanon, Ukraine, Norway, Japan, Thailand, Germany and Hungary. There were 3 American-born Chinese and 1 Seminole Indian. The United States was represented by thirteen students from colleges of the state.

The overseas students in attendance are registered in 13 Mississippi colleges, 1 college in Illinois and Southwestern Baptist Seminary. Dr. and Mrs. Chester Quarles and family had been invited to serve as the host family. Discussion groups were lead by Dr. John Newport, Professor Philosophy of Religion, Southwestern Theological Seminary and Dr. Don Roark, Executive Assistant and Personnel Director Mississippi Chemical, Yazoo City. The student directors, on campuses with overseas students attending, were invited. The four campus directors: Frank Horton, Miss. College; Roy Isbell, State College; Marian Leavell, Ole Miss, and Audrey Weirmorts, Perkinston Jr. College, and the State director, Mr. Ralph B. Winders assisted in many ways. Those assisting from the WMU office were: Edwin Robinson, Nettie Ree Traylor, Marjean Patterson, Willa Dean Freeman and Mrs. Willie Schotte. All of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

had a part in the Houseparty through gifts made to the WMU Special Day Offering, which provides the money for the expense of the Houseparty. Many local and associational WMU's assisted financially in travel expenses.

THE MAGIC CARPET OF PRAYER

In an old Arabian fairy tale three brothers loved the ward of a sultan, and each desired to have her as his bride. The sultan, unwilling to choose between them suggested that they go into different countries to look for something marvelous and unusual. To the one who found the most wonderful thing would go the bride.

One found an ivory tube thru which he could see anything he wished to see, no matter how far away it was. Another found an artificial apple which, if smelled by a person who was ill, would immediately heal him of his illness. The third found a simple little rug which, at a wish, would transport him immediately anywhere he wished to go.

I know a magic carpet, too—by the Moslems called a prayer rug—but I like to call it the Magic Carpet of Prayer. In fact, Woman's Missionary Union has a Magic Carpet Line with regular flights leaving at stated intervals, and special flights at special seasons. Here is the time table and in Royal Service you will find flight schedule for the Magic Carpet Line. Through the ivory tube of mission study and Bible study a woman can see around the world. She can see the people of every color and condition who need to be won to Christ. She can board the Magic Carpet of Prayer, and go via Africa, Korea, Gallup, New Mexico, or any other route straight to the New Jerusalem. And on the way, she can take the apple of the gospel to those who are sin-sick and dying. There are no iron curtains through which she cannot fly—no boundaries she cannot cross. And she can be the answer to the question "Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?"—(Isa. 60:3). — Copied.

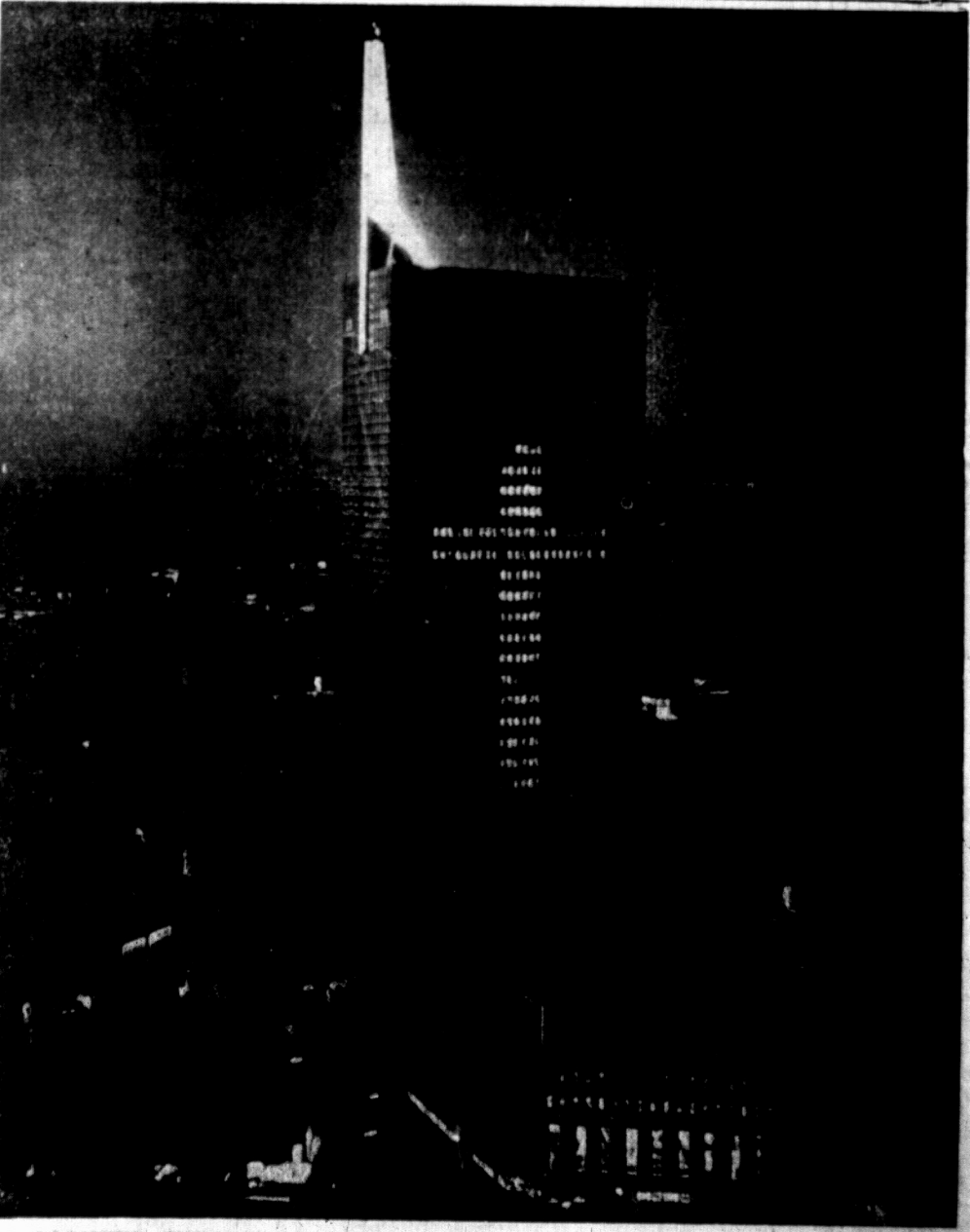


CHRISTMAS AT THE ORPHANAGE—One of the biggest moments of the entire year for the boys and girls at the Baptist Orphanage in Jackson is the time for distributing Christmas presents. Santa, Superintendent W. G. Mize, and their helpers are shown above passing out the gifts from around the Christmas tree last year. Your gift for some child in the children's home would make the holiday season immeasurably brighter. Packages should be mailed to "Baptist Orphanage, 304 W. Woodrow Wilson Drive, Box 97, Jackson 5, Mississippi."

A list of the boys and girls and their ages is printed on page 7. The orphanage suggests you select a child or several children and make some youngster very happy with a personal gift.



BAPTIST SERVICE FOR HUNTERS—WELLSBORO, La. — A special service for hunters, now invading this area, was held in First Baptist church here. The sportsmen attended the service in hunting attire at the suggestion of the Rev. David Burrows, pastor of the church (right). He is shown shaking hands after the service with John L. Bushey of Harrisburg. Looking on are left to right; E. G. Herr of Lancaster; Clifford Woolsey of Wellsboro; Paul Pyle of West Grove; Ralph Walt of Souderton; and Gilbert Pratt of Kennett Square, all of Pennsylvania.—(RNS Photo).



LIGHTED CHRISTMAS CROSS—The practice of forming crosses by an arrangement of lighted windows in tall buildings during the Christmas season is becoming more widespread every year. Photo shows a lighted Christmas cross in the Republic National Bank building in Dallas, Tex.—(RNS Photo).

EDITORIALS

Round the World in 83 Days

The last days of this calendar year provide us with an unusual opportunity to advance the cause of Christ all over the world.

When on Wednesday morning, October 9th the Southern Baptist Convention's Cooperative Program goal of \$11,000,000 was passed it meant that for the remainder of 1957 all such money received in Nashville would be divided 25 percent to home missions and 75 percent to foreign missions. In effect it makes these last 83 days of this year bonus days for meeting great missionary needs at home and abroad.

John Poe, missionary in southern Brazil, is quoted in the Foreign Missions Bulletin as saying:

"All of us are praying that Southern Baptists will continue their fine support of the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in order that as many of these requests (urgent needs presented at annual mission meeting) can be met as is possible."

"It (the annual meeting of the South Brazil Mission) has helped us to see the overall needs and has opened our eyes to the great confidence and faith that the missionaries have in those at home who are holding the cords that support us."

Our missionaries are depending on us. We must not let them down. December should be the greatest month for mission support we have had this entire year.

Our Brother's Keeper

Solon of Athens, one of the great law-makers of all time, taught that to be law-abiding was the secret of prosperity.

He believed that men, being inseparably linked together, should help carry each other's load.

"Those who are uninjured by a crime must be trained to feel as much indignation at it as those who are injured," he said.

He led the people of Athens to hold indignation meetings when crimes were committed, to work themselves up into a passion of anger about them, and to enforce honesty and public-spirited behavior.

A law that is just and right should be spelled out and written on the books. The law forbidding the sale and use of intoxicating beverages, for instance. The strength of that law, and any other law, depends, however, on the climate of public opinion.

The condition of society about us is ultimately up to us. If there is some improvement along the way it will be because the Christian citizen is willing to accept more personal responsibility.

Remember Your Pastor's Family At Christmas Time

One of the finest things you and your church can do at this Christmas season is to remember your pastor and his family with some gift of appreciation.

Some token of love by the church members as a group will tell more than words could ever relate, concerning the congregation's gratitude for him.

Beyond that church gift, a personal present — however small or large — will warm the heart of your pastor. His wife and children bear part of his heavy load throughout the year — gladden their holidays with some special thoughtfulness.

If you are at odds with your preacher and want to get even with him, give him a Christmas present — it will probably scare him to death!

Doing the kindly, gracious, generous thing is generally in the back of everybody's mind — but it takes some one person to get the idea out in the open and rolling. Why not take it upon yourself to lead the way in making this an especially happy Christmas for your good pastor and his family?

Never Say Die!

Just prior to his 82nd birthday Herbert Hoover, still plowing through a crowded schedule and a 12-hour workday, explained his attitude toward retirement:

"There is no joy to be had from retirement except by some kind of productive work. Otherwise, you degenerate into talking to everybody about your pains and pills and income tax. Any oldster who keeps at even part-time work has something worth talking about. He has a zest for the morning paper and his three meals a day. The point of all this is not to retire from work or you will shrivel up into a nuisance to all mankind."

"... It Biteth Like a Serpent ..."

On the front page of the *Floyd County Times* up in Prestonburg, Ky., editor Norman Allen explained why his paper was late one week:

"The *Times* is late this week. The trouble started in a cornfield, maybe years ago. From there it reached our linotype. Yet the trouble lies not with the machine. You see, the corn grew, fermented, aged in the wood and finally reached our operator."

The Horns of a Holiday Dilemma

The Christmas season brings to many people no more weightier concerns than that pictured in a cartoon in *Punch* magazine:

Wife, addressing Christmas cards, to husband: "We sent them one last year and they didn't send us one so they probably won't send us one this year because they'll think we won't send them one because they didn't us last year, don't you think, or shall we?"

Quotables

SELECTED BY THE EDITOR FROM CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT AND OPINION

Men who do not preach the accepted doctrines of the Baptists have no right in Baptist pulpits, and it is no abridgement of their rights nor any persecution to keep them out. We are under no sort of obligation to furnish heretics with means to subvert the truth.—J. B. Gambell.

We may not know what the day holds but we know who holds the day.—John E. Southard.

There are in nature neither rewards nor punishments—there are consequences.—R. G. Ingersoll.

Science: An orderly arrangements of what at the moment seem to be facts.—Research Viewpoint.

"Thanksgiving to be truly Thanksgiving, is first thanks, then giving."—Survey Bulletin.

"Confucious Say"—"Things could be worse. Suppose your errors were tabulated and published every day, like those of a ball-player?"—L & N Magazine.

The Living Scriptures—
Time to Unstop All Ears by Jack Hammi



18TH CENTURY BAPTIST PRESS

BAPTIST LAYMAN SUFFERS PERSECUTION FOR BELIEFS

GOOCHLAND COUNTY, Va., December, 1774 (BP) One good reason for the growing strength of Baptists in Virginia is the zeal and courage of laymen such as Thomas Waford, who are willing to pay the price of persecution for their faith.

Although not an ordained minister, Waford has urged upon his listeners in private conversation the same message which Baptist preachers have delivered from the pulpit. And along with Baptist ministers he has endured arrest, personal abuse, and other persecution, the marks of which he will carry to his grave.

While working with a group of Baptists evangelists in Essex County this year, Waford was arrested. He was taken before a justice of the peace and his saddlebags were searched for treasonable papers.

Waford was dismissed without fine or imprisonment because he had not "disturbed the peace" by preaching. Many Baptist preachers have been arrested and imprisoned in Virginia for preaching without a license from the state church. While there is no law to prevent the Baptists from preaching, they are sentenced on charges of "disturbing the peace" or "disorderly conduct."

The zealous layman was not so fortunate a few years ago

when he was arrested in Middlesex County with four Baptist preachers. Although he was not imprisoned with the ministers, Waford was beaten severely by the posse which broke up the meeting being conducted by the Baptists. He still bears the scars of this savage attack.

After his beating, Waford was searched for firearms and incriminating papers. Finding none, his persecutors gave the Baptist until noon the following day to be out of the county or face imprisonment along with the preachers. The raid on the Baptist meeting was led by two law enforcement officers and a parson of the state church.

In the immortal tradition of John the Baptist, Waford goes ahead of the ministers of the gospel, preparing the way for them. When an evangelist is to go into a new territory, Waford precedes him as an advance agent to publicize the meeting.

When the evangelist arrives, not only does he find that the community knows about the meeting, but he soon discovers that through personal witnessing and exemplary conduct Waford has rendered invaluable service in preparing the hearts of the people for the message.

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The Baptist Forum

Senator Kennedy

Having read of Senator Jack Kennedy speaking at a Democratic dinner in Jackson, Miss., and having heard some boasts made by some northern Democrats that "Jack was going to win the south," we Kentuckians feel that it is time for all Protestants to wake up and do some very serious thinking before we vote away the freedom for which our forefathers died that we might have.

Mr. Kennedy may be a very nice and capable man (tho we have others just as nice and as capable) but no matter what he or any other Catholic may say—it is a fact, that his church demands obedience to the hierarchy of the church above the obedience to all other law, even our own constitution. Many of its laws are quite contrary to our constitution. If the test came (and it would in many instances) would he not be like most every Catholic, too indoctrinated with its doctrine and fear to defy the church and its un-American practices?

W. G. Wilson,
Bowling Green, Ky.

Octogenarian

Sorry you had to remind me but I've been sick and away from home. May I send glad Yuletide greetings to the staff of the Baptist Record. I've been reading it for 70 years. Will celebrate my 83rd birthday next Sunday. Remember me in your prayers.

Mrs. J. E. Powell,
861 East Drive, Memphis

The Drummers

The first Sunday service I attended was a pastor's ordination at Fidelity. There were an estimated 3,000 people there. It lasted a mere 3½ hours and was followed by a reception in the pastor's home and a tour of the new building under construction!

(That's the day a group of drummers gave Mrs. Martin, Miss Watts, and me a very personal performance as we sat outside on a bench waiting for Mr. Martin. As the wizened, toothless leader stood above me and sang directly at me in his language I considered bolting for the car. It was fascinating. I could write a whole letter about the drumming. There is much of it in Oyo. One weekend the drums (one for every house it seemed—hundreds of them) began on Saturday evening and beat continuously until Sunday midnight. (I got so tired of patting my foot to the rhythm?) On another occasion, I was awakened by a passing procession headed by drummers, at 6 a. m.

Another interesting thing is Night Market. Imagine, if you can, hundreds of individual "traders" with their merchandise (everything from eggs to jewelry) spread out in little spots, every one of them trying to sell you something as you pass. There is no electricity, so you use your flashlight ("torch" over here) to pick your way among the thousands in the area. ("Thousands" referring to people, ducks, and goats, but mainly to people!) If you find something you want, you'll have to spend at least five minutes bargaining for it, else YOU get "skinned," and the Yoruba gets disappointed. Half of living for them seems to be bargaining—it makes little difference what or how much.

Nan Owens,
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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Fruit Of Christian Joy Portrayed By Apostle For Philippian Church

For December Fifteenth
By Dr. Bracey L. Campbell
CHRISTIAN JOY.

Bible Text: Philippians Four.

I. THEME OF THE EPISTLE EMPHASIZED. This dear little epistle is known as the epistle of Joy. Joy is its theme. Over and over again the readers are reminded that the writer is himself happy and wants them to be. "Rejoice," he requests them, and then goes on to say that he writes this request not as an irksome, but as a delightful labor requesting of them an activity which will prove to be safe for them.

It is an easy matter to rejoice when once we set ourselves to just the simple thing of counting the countless reasons we have for giving thanks to God. "Count your many blessings, name them one by one, and it will surprise you what the Lord hath done."

I make my confession with shame just now, in spite of all He has done for me in the years of agony, I am having to fight hard to maintain a disposition that should cause me no trouble at all. Now I am determined by losing myself in this beautiful lesson to restore abounding joy through Him who gave Himself that I might know the peace of God that passeth all understanding as well as all misunderstanding.

II. MAKING PEACE IN ORDER THAT THERE MAY BE JOY. "Beseech Eudokia, and beseech Syntyche." Paul is now about to bring his epistle to a close, and he turns to some matters of practical interest, and of local concern. Paul wants to see this church grow in the strength of the love of Christ, knowing full well that it can not grow at

all, if Christian love is lacking among its people.

One thing I know: No church will grow where love is not. One other thing I know: The hosts of hell can not kill the church among whose members Christian love arbitrates to keep them in fellowship with Him and one another and in the work that keeps the hearts of Christian people growing in grace and in knowledge of the Lord Jesus, and keeps those people under Him extending the saving truth of the gospel into the hearts of additional multitudes of people.

Here were two sisters of the finer sort. Paul says of them, they "Labored with me in the gospel," in these words bearing witness to the excellence of these women; but they had differed in some matter of policy, no doubt, and their fellowship was impaired and their effectiveness as workers for the Lord temporarily crippled. Besides, in many cases involving nothing of any consequence, the closest friends of each party to the misunderstanding may secretly "take sides," so that what started out as an insignificant thing grows into a big matter. A quarrel may be ever so quiet, as the parties may think, just a bit of a personal matter behind the door, but there get to be few things in the body of Christ than this sort of thing.

III. JOY HATH ALL SEASONS FOR ITS OWN. "Rejoice in the Lord always." The word for rejoice used here has been also used as equivalent to "Farewell" or "Good-bye." Joy in the morning, joy also at night. Joy in meeting, joy also in farewell. Paul was saying that even in farewell there should be joy

and rejoicing; always in every case in which a Christian may find himself, there can be cause and there is cause for rejoicing.

It had been for Paul that right there in Philippi, at midnight and under unfavorable circumstances in prospect before him, he had rejoiced and praised God. Oh! Rose-lipped Joy, thou glad daughter of the Christian heart, thou has all seasons for thine own. Come, thou, and abide within our hearts and bid dark shadows of doubt and despair to flee.

IV. JOY IS EMULATIVE OF THE BEST. "Those things which ye have learned, and received, heard and seen in me do, and the God of peace shall be with you." Here Paul does a daring thing, he offers himself as an example for his readers. "You are the best Christian somebody knows." And that "somebody" will take inspiration or discouragement from you. Paul had said to the Corinthians, "Ye are our epistle," and here he is saying to his beloved in Philippi, "I am your epistle. So be it. I will dare to invite your scrutiny. I will presume to bear your scrutiny."

Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson



"PREACHER'S SALARY"

QUESTION: Why do preachers expect to earn a salary for preaching today? To my knowledge Christ never received a salary of any sort, nor did His disciples receive a salary for bringing the Word of God to those who would listen. There are many churches today where preachers also hold jobs outside and still answer all calls made on them — why not Baptist preachers, also?

ANSWER: If you will study your Bible more closely, you will see how wrong you are. In the Jerusalem church the people sold their property and laid the money at the Apostles' feet (Acts 5:31-37) so that there was not "any among them that lacked."

In Corinthians 9:14 Paul makes plain that God has the same plan that He used in the Old Testament, that ministers are to live of the tithes of the people. (Compare I Corinthians 9:13 with Numbers 18:25-32) Paul plainly says that, "the Lord ordained that they that preach the gospel should live of the gospel." He commended the Philippians Church for contributing to his missionary work, his own support. (Philippians 4:15)

There are not "many churches" where preachers support themselves, and in these the hungry sheep look up and are not fed, for they are not working according to the Bible.

In this day, when every denomination is suffering from a shortage of ministers, I am surprised at your letter. I'll bet you are not a tither or you would not take such a position.

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Old Preachers Do Live

By DR. SAM C. REEVES

Right now they are living, on the average, 14.4 years after reaching retirement age at 65. Some are living even longer, for right living seems to make for longer living—so says the Bible, the doctors and the insurance companies.

How are these retirement-aged preachers doing? About one-third is doing all right financially. Those who followed the advice of providing today for tomorrow's needs are independent and paying their own way. By their own admission they are enjoying the best years of their lives. They are useful and work without having to work. What comes in pay is over and above the regular retirement checks received from our Relief and Annuity Board, sufficient to take care of life's necessities.

The surest way to provide regular retirement income is to guarantee it while earning regular income and starting early. Before our Relief and Annuity Board was organized thirty nine years ago to serve our servants who serve our people for our Lord Christ, it was extremely difficult to provide adequate retirement income and protection

against emergencies along the way, even for those who tackled the job in time and in earnest. Today, the task is made fairly easy by a Plan which calls for the cooperation of the churches and the State Conventions paying one-third the cost each. The churches may pay two-thirds if they desire. No where else no other way can our Baptist servants provide so much for so little. This Plan not only provides retirement income but affords disability and death benefits.

Some Having Difficulty

What about the group of two-out-of-three preachers who come to retirement age without sufficient retirement income? How are they doing? By their own admission they are having it hard, increasingly harder, what with the burdens of inflation upon us. What by right of service and sacrifice should be their best years are their burdensome years. What ought to be their happiest years are their hardest years. At a time when they should be independent and free from financial worries, they are often harried and embarrassed by financial worries. They are dependent — not independent.



THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD.—"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."—Ps. 119:105.—(RNS Photo).

Early Reports Show "M" Night Meets Successful

With 62 associations reporting as of Dec. 9, Mississippi has registered thus far an "M" attendance of 21,031 with 971 of its churches represented. A complete tabulation will appear in the Training Union column of the Baptist Record soon.

These meetings featured the Honor Church Program. In several associations the actual Honor Church diploma was presented. Typical of comments reported to the Training Union Department are the following:

Herman D. Colvin, moderator of Oktibbeha Association, reports that all sixteen churches were represented in their meeting at Starkville. Diplomas

were presented to ten churches. Lee Association with Spurgeon Hall as associational Director reports the "highest attendance ever recorded" (659).

From S. F. Carlisle, Jr., Director of Covington Association, comes this statement, "attendance of 530 with goal set at 500. Associational Training Union enrollment is 1,456."

Carroll Over Goal
A. L. McNeer of Carroll Association reports an attendance of 127 which bested their goal of 125 for this year.

In spite of flu Union County Association Director Lamar Turner reports that they came just five short of their goal with 495 with 22 churches represented.

Pike Association had 25 Training Union Directors out of 27 in their total attendance of 726 to C. C. Fenn, the Director. A newly organized Training Union had 32 present.

Malcolm Carter reports the largest group of Baptists ever assembled in Prentiss Association for their "M" Night. Jerry DeLaughter, Mississippi's 1956 representative and winner in the Southwide Young People's Speaking Tournament at Ridgecrest, was the speaker.

Zion reports "the best attendance we've ever had." Mrs. Neta Henley is the Associational Director.

Rev. Billy Greene reports 13 out of 17 churches in Tate Association present with a total attendance of 145 which is their first time to exceed 100.

Largest in History
Harold Tice of Gulf Coast Association reports the largest crowd to attend any associational gathering in the 80-year history of the association. Their attendance of 1,198 leads the state.

These comparisons tell their own story.

	1956	1957
Adams	290	476
Covington	167	530
DeSoto	121	247
Gulf Coast	729	1,198
Hinds	806	1,180
Itawamba	44	67
Jackson	375	550
Jeff Davis	277	541
Lee	414	659
Leflore	194	304
Lincoln	487	1,043
Pike	584	726
Prentiss	218	336
Tate	96	145

Batesville Conducts Successful Campaign

First Church, Batesville has just concluded the Forward Program of Church Finance.

The church was led to adopt the largest budget in its history, a total of \$55,000 for the year 1958. This was a 20% increase over the budget of this year. The divisions of the budget were changed to read: 28% for Missions, 49% for local expenses, 23% to the retirement of the building indebtedness.

A Church Loyalty Dinner was prepared for all the church families in the High School Cafeteria, with 312 people attending. At the same time 75 boys and girls attended the Children's Party.

November 3 was Pledge Day and November 10 Victory Day. On November 3 the people pledged \$43,000 and 467 pledge cards were received — more cards in one day than were received in the total program last year. The church received a grand total of 629 pledge cards (389 of these were tithers) and a grand total of \$57,500.28. They



The Cherub, Carol, and Senior Choirs of the Seminary Church will present a Lorenz production of the Christmas Cantata "Chimes of the Holy Night" Sunday night, Dec. 15, at 8:00 o'clock in the church auditorium. The Cherub choir will begin the service by singing an arrangement of a Christmas Carol. The Carol choir will be used with the mixed voices of the Senior Choir in singing a part of the Cantata. The choirs are under the direction of Mrs. Byron Mathis. Miss Leona Crosby and Miss Martha Sarah Cranford have been rehearsal accompanists. Miss Cranford will accompany the choirs in the presentation and Miss Crosby will accompany the Cherub choir.

Graham's New York Crusade Termed "Genuine Success"

NEW YORK (RNS) — A leading New York clergyman evaluating evangelist Billy Graham's recent 16-week crusade here as "a genuine success."

Dr. Sutherland Bonnell, pastor of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, said in a sermon that "New York is a better city and many churches are more vitally alive" because of Mr. Graham's campaign here.

At the same time, he warned that while "mass evangelism at intervals may assist the work of the churches it can never replace them."

Dr. Bonnell said Mr. Graham's Madison Square Garden rallies had "all the effectiveness of mass evangelism," and

some of its "defects." But he stressed that "the good effects greatly outweighed the defects."

The Presbyterian clergyman said the New York crusade achieved the following "positive results":

1. Several thousand persons were now in the process of being received into New York churches as a result of the rallies.

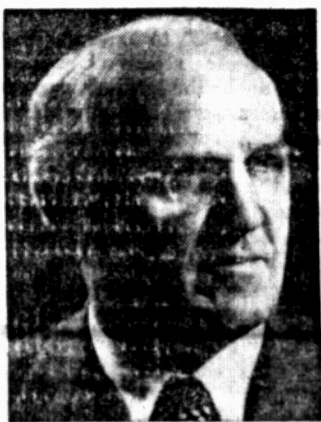
2. Clergymen were preaching with "a greater simplicity and directness."

3. There has been a "marked increase" in Protestant unity and inter-church cooperation in the metropolitan area.

4. Protestant morale has had "a definite lift" because the great numbers who attended the rallies discovered that "the Reformation faith had far greater strength here than was realized."

5. A number of churches "have experienced a growth in their Sunday church attendance" and in their Bible study groups and other organizations.

Dr. Bonnell singled out as "one of the most serious defects" in the crusade the "over emphasis on statistics." The "greatest results of this crusade cannot be put into statistics and tabulated," he said. Observing that 60,000 "decisions for Christ" had been reported in the press, he said the phrase was "quite inaccurate and should be discarded."



Lee To Speak At Escatawpa Church

Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor Bellevue Church, Memphis, will be the principal speaker at the pre-Christmas Week program at Escatawpa Church Dec. 16-17.

Rev. Ralph Young, pastor, announces that Dr. Lee will speak Monday evening, Tuesday morning and Tuesday evening.

Missionaries' Child Dies Of Leukemia

Ronald Whaley, three-year old son of Rev. and Mrs. Charles L. Whaley, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries in Japan, died of leukemia on Thursday, December 5 (Japan time), in Tokyo. Funeral services will be held Sunday, December 8, in Kokura, here the family lived until a few months ago.

Ronald became ill shortly after Christmas, 1956, and was sent to St. Luke's Hospital in Tokyo, here his disease was diagnosed as acute leukemia.

The present address of the Whaley family is 65 Sawawari, Kanagawa-ku, Yokohama, Japan.

exceeded the budget goal by \$2,500.28.

Rev. Carl Duck is pastor.



Whittens To Speak at Williamsville Church

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Whitten, missionaries on furlough from Spain, will speak at the Williamsville Church, Attala Association, Sunday, Dec. 15. He will speak at the 11 a. m. service and she at 1:30 p. m. Rev. Howard Scarborough is pastor.



BSU President At Draughon's

Jo Ann Horner of West Point has been elected as president of the newly-organized Baptist Student Union at Draughon's Business College in Jackson.

Other officers include Enlistment Chairman, Mary Ann Cooper, West Point; Co-Enlistment Chairman, David Brown, Hollandale; Social Chairman, Juanita Coward, Morton; Devotional Chairman, Judy Nelson, Baxterville; Secretary and Treasurer, Peggy Madden, Meridian; Music Director, Maxine Walker, Star; Publicity Chairman, Virginia Ann Wallace, Morton; Missions Chairman, Robert Winpiger, Lexington; Student Director, Miss Katharine Jasper, Jackson; Pastor-Advisor, Rev. Norman Price, pastor of Parkway Baptist Church, Jackson.

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Mrs. J. L. Barron, above, of the First Baptist Church, McComb, has a perfect record for five consecutive years in her Sunday school attendance.

We extend to her our hearty congratulations on this excellent record. May she add many more years to these five in perfect attendance.

Bolivar Association Program

The week of November 4-7 was Sunday school training emphasis time in the Bolivar association. It was a central school, at Cleveland, with three classes under the direction of these three excellent teachers: Dr. Kenny Pepper, Chaplain at Whitfield, Mississippi; Dr. Levon Moore, pastor of Second Avenue, Laurel, and Rev. Clarke McMurray, pastor of Philadelphia, First.

We are grateful to all for a fine week of training, and especially to Brother Joe Stovall, who is the associational superintendent of Sunday school training, and who was the leader in the planning of this program.

Awards For October

No. awards for Oct.	2,950
No. awards to date	2,950
No. Churches reporting awards	173
No. Associations reporting awards	53

Highest Five Churches

Jackson, First	163
Griffith Memorial	110
Calvary, Columbia	91
Parkway, Jackson	83
Calvary, Jackson	73
Natchez, First	

Highest Five Associations

Hinds	958
Gulf Coast	191
Lauderdale	121
Marion	108
Rankin	94

Nursery Revisions

We now have a correlated Nursery program in our churches. The book, "The Nursery Department of the Sunday School," is out of date. For that reason, it has been thought best to withdraw it from the Sunday school training course.

Naturally, Nursery workers will want to secure credit for work in their field until such time as we are able to replace the book. Therefore, as long as the present book is available, we recommend its use with certain corrections. Omit chapter III in its entirety. Substitute mimeograph material which may be secured from the Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, Miss. (In requesting this material, please ask for "Suggestions for Teaching The Nursery Department of the Sunday School.")

Instructors are urged to use current copies of Church Nursery Guide and Living with Children as well as the two filmstrips, "Providing for Nursery Children and Guiding Nursery Children."

Forward Program of Church Finance

First Church, Winona
Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, Pastor

	1957	1958
Budget	\$32,229	\$40,000
Pledges	308	469
Tithers	149	238
Pledged	\$22,262	\$37,161

Percent of Budget Pledged 67% 92.9%

The pastor says, "Sunday, November 24, was indeed a Victory Day for us as we completed the Forward Program."

"Our North Winona Baptist Mission participated in this effort just like one of our departments. Their goals were: 42 to pledge with 22 of these tithers, and a weekly amount of \$46.00. They went over these goals on Pledge Day. On Victory Day they reported 54 pledgers with 35 tithers and a weekly amount of \$56.35."

Ridgecrest Church, Jackson
Rev. Fred Tarpley, Pastor

	1957	1958
Budget	\$83,200	\$98,800
Pledges	656	866
Tithers	388	481
Pledged	\$84,596	\$103,586

The pastor says, "This is the second time we have used the program, and it worked better than the first time. We used everything in the program and have again oversubscribed our budget, although this year's budget was an increase of 19% over last year's. We pledged 22% more than last year. Our people like the program very much."

NEW PASTOR AT INGOMAR

Rev. Robert L. Jackson has accepted the pastorate of the Ingomar Church and has recently moved to the field. He comes from the Hebron Church, Sardis, where he was pastor for approximately five years.

During his pastorate the Hebron church moved from quarter time to full-time as a 4-Star church. The Sunday School was graded and departmentalized and an educational annex constructed. New pulpit furniture was purchased and a Conn organ installed.

There were 71 additions to the church and gifts through the Cooperative Program were increased from \$131.52 to more than \$1300 in 1957.

Mr. Jackson attended Tupelo High School, Mississippi College, and the University of Mississippi. He is married to the former Sybil Davis of Batesville and has two children, Bruce, 7, and Beverly, 3.

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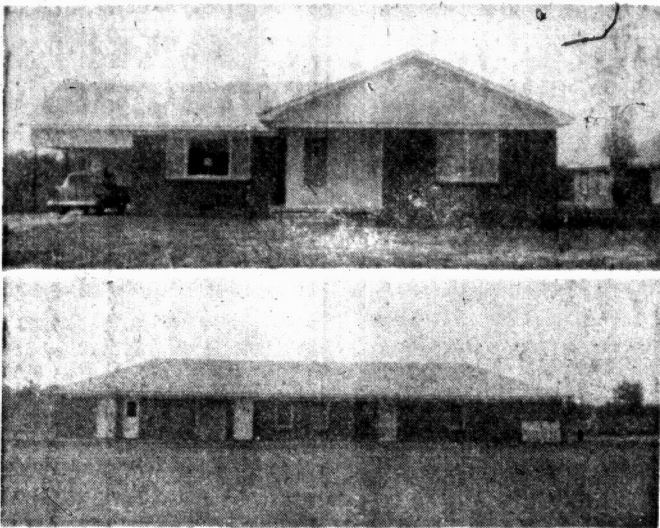
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Minter City Church Makes Progress

The church at Minter City has shown considerable progress of late with the construction of a pastorium (top photo) and the completion of its church building (below) this fall. The home is valued at \$11,500 and has central heating, ducts for air-conditioning, 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. The church, formerly with a plain siding exterior, has been bricked completely on the outside. Rev. Thomas Gregg is pastor.

Brotherhood And RA Secretaries To Meet

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (BP)—Baptist Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador secretaries from 23 states will hold their annual planning conference here Dec. 16-18. The Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention will be host.

Purpose of the meeting is to project final plans and programs for 1958 and to complete initial planning for 1959-1961. The movement to establish 30,000 new churches or preaching points by 1964 and the relation of Brotherhood to missions, evangelism, and stewardship will receive first consideration during the conference.

The meeting will be under the direction of George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission, and James M. Sapp, director of promotion. Brotherhood Commission staff members David T. Mashburn, Edward Hurt, Jr., and Frank Black will lead in various aspects of the planning sessions.

Program Personnel

Program personnel for the three-day session will include: Merrill Moore, Nashville, director of promotion of the Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention; Leonard Sanderson, Dallas, secretary of evangelism, Home Mission Board; Earl Pleasant, executive director, Religion in American Life, New York City; Gunner Peterson, camping consultant, George Williams College, Chicago, Ill., and Al Putnam, public relations

consultant, Memphis. Bernard King and J. A. Pennington, Brotherhood secretaries for Georgia and Oklahoma respectively, will share as session leaders with R. L. Sherrick and James K. Price, both of Memphis. Sherrick and Pace are members of the executive committee of the Brotherhood Commission.

Progress reports will be shared by the group on the Convention-wide Royal Ambassador Congress in Fort Worth, Aug. 12-14, 1958, and the Layman's Day "Soul-Winning Crusade" in October, 1958. Expected attendance is 50.

Bryan Addresses Lebanon Pastors

Rev. Clyde C. Bryan, pastor of First Church, Hattiesburg, spoke on the October mission tour of South America at the recent meeting of the Lebanon Baptist Pastors' Conference. The meeting was held at Temple Church, Petal, Rev. J. L. Garrett, pastor.

It was announced at the meeting that Rev. Herman Merritt, former pastor of the Central Church, Hattiesburg, and more recently in service as full-time evangelist, has moved to Boulder City, Nevada, to pastor a church.

The next meeting of the Conference will be on January 6, again at Temple Church, Petal.

Names In The News

William Jarvis, Music Director at Northside Church, Jackson, led the singing for the Alabama B. S. U. Convention at Auburn, Alabama December 6, 7, and 8.

Mrs. Oscar Smith began her work as office secretary for the Lauderdale Association on November 15. She is a member of the Arkadelphia Church.

Rev. John Bowden is the new pastor of the Arrowood Mission, Meridian.

Rev. Paul Revelette is pastor of the South Side Mission, sponsored by South Side Church, Meridian. The Mission dedicated their newly acquired property on Sunday afternoon, November 24.

J. C. Bounds, Edwin Thead, Gary Smith, and James Stephens, were ordained as deacons in the Arkadelphia Church during November. Dr. H. C. Bass, interim pastor, Rev. Wayne Turner, Rev. W. E. Speed, and Rev. Troy Prince participated in the service of ordination.

Mrs. Charles W. Whitten, Miss Edythe Montroy, José Oraca, Dr. Ira D. Eavenson, Rev. R. B. Hicks, Miss Amie Stepp, Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, and Rev. H. H. Ward were the missionary personnel for the simultaneous Schools of Missions held in Tallahatchie County November 18-22. Rev. D. O. Horne is Superintendent of Missions.

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Rankin, Southern Baptist missionaries to Hong Kong, may now be addressed at 30 Oxford Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong. Dr. Rankin is a native of Sandy Hook, Miss., and Mrs. Rankin, the former Miriam Thomas, of Fairfax, S. C. They make their permanent American home in Fairfax.

Jimmy McCaleb, Arabia; K. P. Tutor, Randolph; B. B. McGee, Pontotoc; Mrs. E. O. Smith, Magnolia; E. O. Smith, Magnolia; J. I. Jacobs, Duncan; Lester Gardner, Louisville; Mrs. W. T. Harrigill, Yazoo City; Mrs. W. C. Brewer, Yazoo City; Mrs. W. L. Johnston, Yazoo City; Mrs. J. N. Nesmith, Yazoo City; C. B. Sims, Ecru; Clyde A. Williams, Louisville; Hubert Shepherd, Louisville; Rev. Don McQuillis, Merigold; Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Waring, Brookhaven; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gurney, Nettleton; Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Smith, Bassfield; Rev. Curtis I. Miller, Gillsburg; Harold Stratz, Gulfport, were among recent visitors in the Baptist Building.

H. J. Rushing, Gulfport; Ralph Bray, Petal; Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Wells, Laurel; Rev. G. E. Guntharp, Booneville; Dr. and Mrs. L. B. Campbell, Clinton; Rev. Leon Scarborough, Sherman; J. Millard Purl, Dodsaville; C. M. Day, Clinton; Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Sansing, Carrollton; J. F. Douglas, Starkville; Rev. M. Robinson, Starkville; Eric Williams, Clinton; E. E. Hedgepeth, Monticello; Al Collins, Booneville; Judy Parrish, Mrs. Frazier Parrish, and Mrs. Willie Meador, Laurel, were among recent visitors in the Baptist Bldg.

McDonald To Speak At McDonald Church

Rev. H. P. McDonald will deliver a Christmas message at the McDonald Church in Leake County, Tenn., on December 20 at 7:00 p. m.

Rev. McDonald is pastor of the Corinth Church, Heidelberg.

Bishop Speaks At Father-Son Banquet

Rev. B. T. Bishop, Sr. delivered the principal address at a Father and Son Banquet at First Church, Brookhaven, December 6, at 7:00 P. M. This meeting was sponsored by the Lincoln County Brotherhood.

ROCK BRANCH CALLS PASTOR

Rev. Loyd Thornton has recently been called as pastor of the Rock Branch Church, Union, Newton County Association.

Mr. Thornton, a native of Laurel, is presently a student at Clarke College.



THE BAPTIST WORLD ALLIANCE IN 1960 will have a special significance for these nine students at Southwest Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. It's to be in their home country of Brazil. Here the students look over a display they have prepared to promote attendance at the Alliance. They are, left to right, Mr. and Mrs. Paulo da Silva, Eunice de Oliveira, Ziza de Oliveira, Maria Isabel Barbosa, Carrie Gonçalves, Mrs. Wilson Fanini, Charlotte Vaughan, and Nilson Fanini.

Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

SOMETHING NEW! CAROL CHOIR FESTIVAL, FEB. 8th, 1958

A new division of our festival program will be held at Mississippi College on Saturday, Feb. 8, 1958. This division will be called the "STATE CAROL CHOIR FESTIVAL." This will include all choirs in the Junior age from 9-12 years of age.

The program will begin at 9:00 a. m. in the Chapel at Mississippi College. Auditions for choirs will be held from 9:00 to 10:00 A. M. This audition will qualify the choir for the State Festival to be held later in the Spring. Any of the choirs desiring to wait until the Regional Festival for audition will be permitted to do so. However, all choirs entering the State Festival must either be auditioned at this time, or during the Regional Festivals that will follow a little later. If a choir desires to

be auditioned at this time, select one number of its own choice for this future.

From 10:00 to 12:00 A. M. a mass choir rehearsal will be held under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Phillips of Texarkana, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips are recognized throughout the entire Southern Baptist Convention as top leaders in the field of Children's Choir work.

Morrison Cafeteria will serve a plate lunch between 12:00 and 1:00 p. m. The plate will cost seventy-five cents (75c).

Another rehearsal will be held in Nelson Hall between 3:30 and 4:30 p. m.

We hope at least 1,000 boys and girls in Junior Choirs from all over Mississippi will participate in this festival as it is to be a clinic type festival and should be worth a great deal to every body.

Brotherhood Department

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

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DOES A CHURCH NEED A BROTHERHOOD?

The need for and ultimate usefulness of a Brotherhood are determined by the following:

1. The church program
2. The associational program
3. The state program
4. The southwide program

A church whose program and policies are determined by few people will have no need for a Brotherhood. Men will not participate in a program that they can not help formulate.

A church whose mission vision is so limited and whose evangelistic fires burn so low until the pastor, women and children can reach its goals has no need for a Brotherhood.

An association whose individual churches go their separate ways and never put on a united front can well afford to leave the men on the sidelines.

If a state's program of missions is not big enough to challenge the bigness of men they would not be interested.

If our southwide effort in worldwide missions is not extensive enough, we can not expect any men to rally to the call.

A church needs a Brotherhood if it needs its men. The only program that a Brotherhood has is that provided by the local church. A church's program should be worldwide in scope. We have more than 100,000 Baptist men whose names appear on church rolls. We need those men and they need the blessings that come from getting under the load of great causes.

Interestingly enough, your Brotherhood secretary has never presented Brotherhood work

to a group of men over a period of ten years that did not organize. It is a firm conviction that fully 95 percent of the churches in Mississippi would have Brotherhoods if the men were given an opportunity to have the work presented to them.

Does a church need a Brotherhood? The answer to that question depends entirely upon whether a church has a program large enough in scope to need men.

246 Present For 'M' Night In Oktibbeha

The quarterly associational meeting for Oktibbeha County emphasizing music and Training Union "M" Night, was held at Starkville First Church, Dec. 2.

All churches were present and there were 246 in attendance. Kermit King, Jackson, state Training Union secretary, was the principal speaker.

The Christmas carol sing was led by Bob Taylor, Starkville, associational music director.

J. T. Winter of Starkville is associational Training Union director.

Mrs. O. M. Jones Doing Nicely After Surgery

Mrs. O. M. Jones, manager of the Baptist Book Store in Jackson, is recuperating nicely at Baptist Hospital in Jackson following surgery on Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Jones is in Room 4029 and is having company.

HOME BOARD ELECTS OFFICERS AT 112th ANNUAL MEETING

The Home Mission Board held its 112th annual meeting in Atlanta, Georgia, Dec. 3-4. Over 40 of the 49 member board were present coming from all over the convention territory for the two-day sessions.

The slate of officers for 1957 were re-elected to serve through the coming year: C. G. Cole, Atlanta businessman, president; Carleton Prickett, Burlington, North Carolina, state vice-president; L. E. Smith, Atlanta, Georgia, local vice-president; Mrs. Clinton Whetstone, Atlanta, and Mrs. David Boyd, Atlanta, recording secretary and assistant recording secretary, respectively.

Courts Redford, executive secretary-treasurer of the Board, reported an increase of 91 in missionary personnel over 1957 making a total of 1,271. He reported that there were 452 student summer missionaries in 1957, as compared to 390 in 1956. There were 26 new places reported for Home Mission Board Work with language people.

New Members

Presented to the Board by Redford were several new members of the staff: Dr. Paul S. James, director of Southern Baptist work in New York City; Bertram King, liaison worker in Canada; J. V. James, director of work in behalf of juvenile delinquents and broken homes; Victor Glass, assistant secretary in the department of Negro work; Billy Hargrove, director of church and associational surveys; Clovis Brantley, assistant secretary of Direct Missions; A. Jackson Roddy, superintendent of missions to the deaf; Ralph Rogers, Office of Promotion; Dr. C. C. Warren, director of the 30,000 Movement.

Also present at the meeting to report were Herbert Caudill, superintendent of the work in Cuba, and R. G. Van Royen, superintendent of work in Panama. Van Royen will direct over 20 preachers from the states in an evangelism campaign in Panama and the Canal Zone in January of 1958.

Harold E. Cameron was elected Superintendent of City Missions in Chicago. Cameron, a former pioneer missionary in that section, will work in cooperation with the Illinois State Board and the Home Mission Board. Earlier in the year, \$200,000 was allocated to the work in Chicago by the Home Mission Board.

30,000 Movement

Also revealing the results of the 30,000 Movement was the report of Dr. Paul S. James. He said that the Southern Baptist Chapel in Manhattan, now a mission, will organize into a church on January 10, 1958. Said Dr. James: "The greatest challenge confronting Christianity today is the penetration of paganism with the glorious light of the Gospel of Christ."

S. F. Dowis, secretary of the Co-operative Missions Department, reported that there are now 64 City Mission Programs in operation.

Leonard Sanderson, Department of Evangelism, Dallas, Tex., told the Board that he plans to help with an Evangelism Conference in Mexico and tour South America in preparation for the simultaneous evangelistic crusades in the fall of 1958. During 1957, members of the Evangelism Department conducted 36 revivals and 16 Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusades.

The board adopted the \$3,600,000 budget proposed by Redford. This is an increase of \$600,000 over the budget for this year.

Frank Garrison, superintendent of Church Loan Funds, reported that 650 church loans have been made since 1954, and that 81 loans are now pending. The Church Loans Department helped 111 churches during 1957, and 25 church sites were purchased from the Church Building Fund.

1,053 Chaplains

The Chaplains Commission reports a total of 1,053 chaplains, 425 on active duty and 628 in reserve, with 13,534 professions of faith this year.

Authorization was made to operate the Good Will Center at Louisville, Ky., formerly owned and operated by the Woman's Missionary Union, under the sponsorship of the Home Mission Board.

Two motion pictures and four filmstrips were produced during 1957 by the Office of Promotion. Now in production are two filmstrips on personal soul-winning and preparation for revivals which will be used in connection with the Evangelism Emphasis of the 1959 Jubilee Advance. Three motion pictures of silent sermons for deaf people are also being filmed.

Five books were produced for the 1958 Graded Series of Home Mission Studies by the Department of Editorial Service. John Caylor, secretary and editor of Home Missions, reported a circulation of 174,708 for the magazine and 274,903 volumes of home missions books sold in the past 12 months.

The Board voted to have its semi-annual meeting, August 14, 1958, at Ridgcrest and its annual meeting at the Home Board Office Building, December 2, 3, 1958.

Franklin B'hood Hears Cuban

The Franklin Associational Brotherhood met at First Church, Meadville, December 2, at 7:00 P. M. Ibelize Veitia, a native of Havana, Cuba, delivered the inspirational address. "When people hear Brother Veitia they are more grateful that they have State Missions, Home Missions, and Foreign Missions supporting our Agencies, and Institutions that are sending to every land missionaries with a vital message of Salvation," according to host Pastor B. T. Bishop.



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Boys: Clemon Hollingsworth
Girls: Susan Johnson
- Age Three**
Girls: Colleen Blair, Susan Hollingsworth, Judy Langley, Debra Mayhan
- Age Four**
Boys: Jerry Ferrell
Girls: Ada Bingham, Kathy Gatewood
- Age Five**
Boys: Mickey Ferrell, Kenneth Jenkins, Richard VanCleave
Girls: Fiecia Blair, Syble Boler, Pamela Johnson, Dohna Kay Smith, Lannie Sanford
- Age Six**
Boys: Stevie Aaron, Jack Bingham, Carl Hanna, Kenneth Johnson, Bobby Logan, Curtis Kilpatrick, Rodney Johnson
Girls: Flora Bell Langley, Betty Ann Leach, Pat Lovett, Patricia Hann
- Age Seven**
Boys: Eddie Betts, David Gatewood, Tommy Pulley, David Allen Mayhan, William Sanford
Girls: Janet Aaron, Louise Blair, Rhonda Chambers, Virginia Clark, Margaret Sanders, Sherry Lynn Smith, Julie Hollingsworth
- Age Eight**
Boys: Stanley Aaron, Mike Archer, Sandy Boler, Mike Chambers, Sammy Hanna, Tommy Johnson, Gerald Leach, Robert Mashburn, Rickey Mayhan, Bobby McHann, Lamar Sanford, Jimmy Van Cleave
Girls: Bonnie Gatewood, Patricia Logan
- Age Nine**
Boys: Jerry Archer, Buster Blair, Melvin Clark, Johnny Dykes, Benny Johnson, Danny Lovett, John Mason, Dale Pennington, Robert Sanford
Girls: Susie Bates, Martha K. Bingham, Beverly Chambers, Judy Johnson, Etoil Morris, Betty Jean Smith, Mary Thrasher
- Age Ten**
Boys: Bobby Bishop, Jimmy Hanna, Alton Kelly, Darby Kilpatrick, Mike Moore, Emmett Thrasher, Leroy Mashburn, Tommy Van Cleave
Girls: Maurine Betts, Jane Godbey, Elaine Ferrell, Frances Langley, Patricia Mason, Doris Massey, Earline Morris, Roberta Whitehead, Darla Ann Castalaw
- Age Eleven**
Boys: Bruce Clark, Calance Gatewood, Dudley Gibbs, Rickey Morris, Jerry Springler, Jesse Johnson, Larry Therrell, W. T. West
Girls: Mabel Bates, Sherry Chambers, Amelia Craft, Dian Dykes, Myrtle Lee Langley, Mattie Lou Harper, Faye Lovette, Hilda Faye McHann, Mary Lee Pulley, Barbara Ricker, Dinah Sanders, Eddie Smith
- Age Twelve**
Boys: Terry Archer, Ray Campbell, James Godbey, James Leach, Kenneth Powell, Roger Therrell
Girls: Janie Denson, Marie Dykes, Dovie Hankins, Hilda Faye Harper, Empress Kilpatrick, Mary Ann Mason, Linda Pennington, Carolyn Van Cleave
- Age Thirteen**
Boys: H. G. Bishop, Dennis Kelly, Wesley Mashburn, Gene Morris, Dwight Moore, Billy Newell, John Smith, Robert Lee Smith
Girls: Betty Gatewood, Joyce Gibbs, Beatrice Logan, Mary Lovett, Karen Morris, Beverly Pulley, Carol Ricker
- Age Fourteen**
Boys: Leon Bishop, Jimmy Pittinger, Bob Pulley, Oliver Morris
Girls: Barbara Hankins, Bessie Jones, Betty Massey, Carol F. Morris, Bobbie Osbon, Ola Mae Springler, Jo Ann West
- Age Fifteen**
Boys: Lamar Rawls, Jr.
Girls: Shirley Denson, Louise Mashburn, Mary Ann Morris
- Age Sixteen**
Boys: Ray Howard Bishop, James Hancock
Girls: Margie Nell Lee, Lenna Morris, Jessie Osbon, Ann Pittinger, Louise West
Girls: Joy Mashburn 17; Charlene Bridges 20; Lillian Buchanan 21

Malcolm Lovell To Receive B. D. At Southwestern

Rev. Malcolm R. Lovell, native of Pontotoc County, expects to receive the Bachelor of Divinity degree from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, on January 17, 1958.

Mr. Lovell, 24, received the Bachelor of Science Degree from Delta State College in 1955. While in Cleveland he worked with James Breland, BSU Director, and with Dr. Harry Clarke and Rev. Charlie Webb, both of First Church, Cleveland. While a college student he served four months as pastor of Shady Oak, a mission of First Church, Cleveland. Since July, 1956, he has been pastor of George's Creek Church, a full-time open country church near Fort Worth.

Mrs. Lovell, formerly of Indianola, is a 1954 graduate of Delta State, who has served as Assistant County Home Demonstration Agent in Bolivar County, and later held a similar position in Fort Worth and Tarrant County, Texas.

The Lovells will be in Mississippi December 21-30. Mr. Lovell will preach at First Church, Indianola, on December 29. His telephone number in Fort Worth is Walnut 3-2643.



Richardson Accepts Leland Pastorate

Rev. James Richardson, pastor Calvary Church, West Point since May 1953, has resigned to become pastor of First Church, Leland, effective Dec. 31.

He will succeed Rev. Wilford M. Lee, who resigned to accept a pastorate in Tennessee.

The work at Calvary has shown substantial growth under his leadership.

Estes L. Lewis To Leave Chaplaincy

Rev. (Major) Estes L. Lewis will be separated from the U. S. Air Force chaplaincy on Feb. 1 and will be available for civilian work at that time, according to information released by the Chaplain's Commission for the S. B. C., 161 Spring Street, N. W., Atlanta.

Mr. Lewis is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Seminary and held pastorates previously in Lakenon, Elkhart, and Schulenburg, Tex. His home address is 631 West McCorkle Circle, Greenville, Miss., and he prefers the pastorate, mission work or institutional chaplaincy.

He is married and has two children.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

December 8, 1957

Amory, First	443	119
Antioch (Rankin)	70	45
Batesville, First	472	198
Belden	131	74
Biloxi, Emmanuel	247	85
Booneville, First	298	110
Brandon	354	171
Brookhaven, First	800	240
Southway	84	47
Halbert Heights	25	22
Bruce, First	316	89
Byram	265	129
Calhoun City, First	362	152
Calvary (Humphreys)	58	50
Charleston, First	323	108
Clarksdale	460	132
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	566	181
Cleveland, First	460	146
Main	417	
Chinese Mission	43	
Cleveland, Immanuel	199	119
Collins	202	134
Columbia, First	627	192
Covint, East	244	75
Corinth, Tate St.	300	111
Crystal Sprs., First	641	164
Fellowship (Choctaw)	82	48
Forest	467	115
Furrs (Pontotoc)	109	
Glenfield (Union Co.)	65	45
Greenville, First	1010	319
Main	944	
Chinese Mission	66	
Greenville, Parkview	312	140
Grenada, Emmanuel	251	94
Gulfport, First	855	306
Gulfport, Grace Mem.	332	123
Mission	23	21
Hattiesburg, Main St.	1109	471
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	228	110
Jackson:		
Daniel Mem.	1043	400
Hillcrest	398	198
Alta Woods	711	308
Broadmoor	654	272
Emmanuel	208	125
Parkway	976	497
Southside	261	147
Midway	247	111
Van Winkle	685	261
Crestwood	640	340
First	1447	445
Highland	133	68
Calvary	1646	543
Main	1606	514
Mission	40	29
West Jackson	439	155
Northside	781	198
Kosciusko, First	717	176
Main	689	
Maple Mission	28	
Kossuth (Alcorn)	46	15
Laurel, First	616	153
Laurel, South	107	61
Laurel, Wildwood	331	113
Long Beach, First	361	137
Main	332	110
DeLisle Mission	29	27
Longview (Okibbeha)	75	
McComb, Central	222	92
McComb, Locust St.	119	43
Macedonia (Lincoln)	227	116
Meridian:		
First	873	206
(Oakland Hgts.)	320	120
(Arrowood Mission)	90	36
Eighth Avenue	201	83
Emmanuel	79	57
State Blvd.	387	117
(South Side)	510	178
(Fulton Ave. Mis.)	46	41
Highland	616	230
Poplar Sprs. Dr.	503	179
Forty-First Ave.	369	156
Morton, East	141	118
Morton, First	250	72
Murphy Crk. (Winston)	181	86
Natchez, First	717	270
New Sight (Lincoln)	123	57
Newton	501	191
Olive Branch	186	102
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	276	170
Pascagoula, First	779	259
Main	711	239
McArthur Chapel	56	20
E. Wash. Ave. Chap.	12	
Petal Crestview	49	43
Petal, First	169	108
Petal-Harvey	392	179
Main	348	152
Harvey Mission	44	27
Petal, Temple	187	88
Picayune, First	575	149
Main	557	
Mission	18	
Potts Camp	99	39
Purvis, First	268	70
Ripley, First	325	106
Ruleville	338	108
Ruth	66	48
Soso, First	202	77
Starkville, First	922	332
Steen's Crk. (Rankin)	248	125
Tishomingo Chapel		
(Alcorn)	72	46
Tupelo, East	301	117
Tupelo, First	491	185
Tupelo, Harrisburg	557	212
Union, First	381	121
Union (Walthall)	166	92
Wayside (Yalobusha)	40	34
West End (Winston)	79	63
Winona, First	439	149
Main	399	122
Mission	40	27
December 1, 1957		
Bethlehem (Jones)	170	118
Booneville, First	278	114
Durant, First	286	93
Eastside Mission	36	
Enon (Panola)	77	86
Hernando	170	86
Murphy Crk. (Winston)	142	84
Rock Branch (Newton)	58	
Starkville, First	658	342
Tupelo, East	390	200
Union (Walthall)	128	82

A. A. Pigford Student Loan Fund At Clarke College Gets Second Donation From Family

Clarke Memorial College has received a second check for \$2,000 from Dr. Cora Bass Pigford, of Lumberton, bringing to \$4,000 the total she has given to the A. A. Pigford Student Loan Fund she established last year in memory of her late husband.

Arthur A. Pigford was a member of a prominent Lauderdale county family, the son of Timothy D. and Catherine Satcher Pigford. After graduating from Draughn's Business College, in Nashville, Tenn., he worked as a traveling salesman for a dry goods firm and for several years operated a mercantile business in Meridian. He married Dr. Cora Mabel Bass, the daughter of Isaac E. and Mary Wilkes Bass of the distinguished Bass family of South Mississippi. They had one son who died in infancy.

Together they established the Pigford Nurseries, Lumberton,



A. A. Pigford

Miss., one of the largest in the state.

Mrs. Cora Bass Pigford, a native of Marion county, is a grad-

uate of M. S. C. W. and Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania where she received the Doctor of Medicine degree. She was one of five founders of the New Orleans Dispensary for Women and Children. She lives at Lumberton and is a devoted member of the First Baptist Church.

The A. A. Pigford Student Loan Fund at Clarke Memorial College is a revolving loan fund designed to help deserving students with loans for part of their college expenses. As loans are repaid the money is used to help other students. The initial amount of \$2,000 given last year was all used for loans at that time and helped nine students continue in school. Already about 25 per cent of that amount has been repaid, and that along with the additional \$2,000 has been committed for other loans.

Parkinson To Be Visiting Professor At William Carey

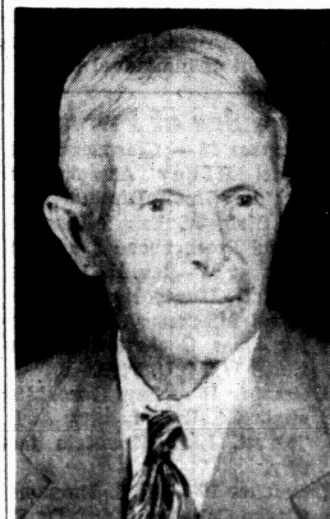
Dr. Burney L. Parkinson, a distinguished educator, will be the Visiting Professor of Education at William Carey College for the second semester of the 1957-58 session.

Dr. Parkinson has had wide and varied experience as an educator. For nineteen years he

served as President of Mississippi State College for Women. Since retiring from this position he has served as professor of education and psychology at Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia.

During the second semester, which begins January 28, Dr. Parkinson will be lecturing in the following educational courses: Methods of Teaching in the High School, The History of Education and Principles of Teaching in High School.

Mrs. Parkinson will accompany her husband to Hattiesburg.



J. M. McLeod

Harrisville Honors One of Its Oldest

On November 10 the Harrisville Church, under the leadership of Pastor J. B. Welbourn, held a special service to pay tribute to one of the church's oldest members, J. M. McLeod, who was ordained a deacon of the church fifty years ago and who has been song leader for more than fifty years.

Mr. McLeod was born at Harrisville on February 3, 1877 and has lived his entire life in that community. Rev. Welbourn stated in giving the life of this oldest member, On December 22, 1904, Mr. McLeod was married to Miss Mary Clark of Rankin County. To the couple were born seven children, four sons and three daughters. The couple has been quite active in church and community activities through the years.

Hugh Scarborough, in behalf of the church, presented Mr. McLeod with a beautiful painting of the head of Christ.

Six of the seven children were present for the service and the family sat together in a group.

New Church In Grenada County

On Sunday, September 1, 1957, Friendship Mission in Grenada County met in W. E. Hames' cotton gin and under the direction of Rev. R. B. Smith of Hardy and Rev. Wayne Black of Holcomb Church, organized as a new church.

The mission's first service was held on Sunday, May 26, 1957, in the gin, with 43 per cent. Rev. R. B. Smith preached the sermon.

Continuing to meet each Sunday afternoon until August 18, the church on that date began a tent revival on S. R. Geeslin's property, with Rev. Wayne Black as the evangelist. When the revival closed on August 30 there had been nine professions of faith and one rededication. Twenty-seven families asked that a church be built in the community.

After being constituted, Friendship Church moved from the gin to Mr. Hame's store house, where they are still holding Sunday School, Training Union, and worship services. A site has been purchased for the church building on Miss Cora Mullin's property on Cassella Road, where construction will begin shortly. A pastor has been called.

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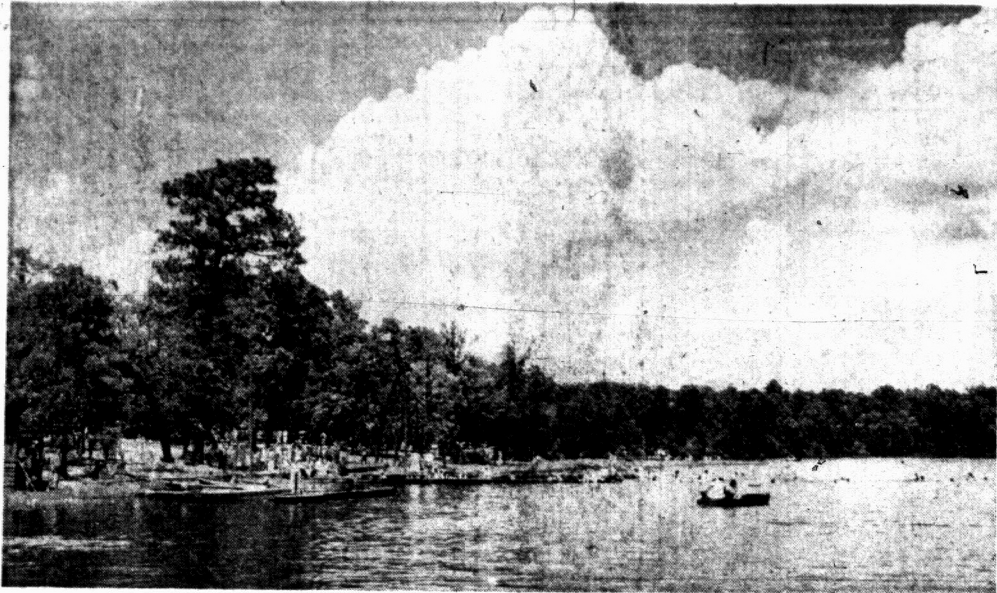
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TYPICAL SCENE AT STATE PARKS—The above is typical of the scenery and facilities to be used and enjoyed by group campers at seven of the twelve state parks.

Seven State Parks Now Available Camping Sites For Church Groups

Seven of the twelve state parks now have available facilities for use by groups from churches and other organizations: Holmes County State Park, Durant; Leroy Percy State Park, Hollandale; Percy Quinn State Park, McComb; Roosevelt State Park, Morton; Shelby State Park, Hattiesburg; Tishomingo State Park, Tishomingo; and Wall Doxey State Park, Holly Springs.

The various recreational outlets offered for group campers in the state parks include swimming, boating, playfields for outdoor games, use of the recreational hall for indoor games and study groups; picnicking; and nature trails.

Each of the parks has a lake and camp facilities for church and other groups are located on the opposite side of the lake from the general tourist facilities, insuring privacy for the group.

Nominal fees are charged for group campers in order that everyone may have the privilege of using the facilities. The rates are: 25c per camper per day in groups of 50 or more; 30c per camper per day in groups of

less than 50. The group campers may contract with the Concessionaire for meals not to exceed the following: For groups of 50 or more: Breakfast 65c; Lunch 80c; Supper 85c. For groups of less than 50: Breakfast 70c; Lunch 85c; Supper 90c.

The increased demand for group camp facilities and the apparent values for the youth that use these facilities have influenced the State Park Commission to place major emphasis on the development of these facilities for all the state parks. The parks are providing a place where young people can enjoy wholesome recreation under conditions that tend toward the building of better citizens.

For additional information about these camps write the

New Zealand Group Invites Graham

CHRISTCHURCH, N. Z. — (RNS) — The National Council of Churches — representing about 80 per cent of New Zealand Protestants — has formally invited evangelist Billy Graham to conduct a crusade in this country in 1959.

State Park Commission, 1104 Woolfolk Office Building, Jackson, Mississippi, or the Superintendent of individual parks.

Calendar of Prayer

December 16 — Clarence Toler, Pearl River Associational Training Union Director; Grady Stringer, Lamar Associational Brotherhood President.

December 17 — Rev. E. P. Burke, Carroll-Montgomery Associational Missionary; Mrs. Stanley Jones, Covington Associational W. M. U. Pres.

December 18 — Sam Gore, Mississippi College faculty; A. L. Tigrett, Blue Mountain faculty.

December 19 — L. B. Simmons, Clarke College faculty; Dr. D. B. Roark, Yazoo Associational Sunday School Supt.

December 20 — Ladelle McGrew, Baptist Building; Lily Howell Alewine, Baptist Building.

December 21 — Bidney Dixon, B. S. U. Director, Blue Mountain; Gladys Bryant, B. S. U. Director, Itawamba Junior College.

December 22 — Dr. George M. Jenkins, William Carey College faculty.

Greene County Body Sends Letter To Governor Coleman

The Baptist Record is in receipt of a letter addressed to Governor J. P. Coleman from the Greene County Association stating the association's "complete opposition to the Governor's reported advocacy of legalizing of liquor on a local option basis."

The letter further said: "After the many reported statements of our Governor before election as to temperance and the Dry Plank and the recent dry vote of the State of Mississippi and the statement of authorities as to law enforcement of strong drink, we deplore any suggested efforts to make strong drink easier obtainable or more of it in spotty areas of our State."

The letter was signed by Rev. Frank Roblin, Chairman; Rev. C. W. Peterson; Rev. O. V. Sullivan; D. W. Daughdrill, Moderator; Rev. Lincoln Newman, missionary; and Truman Walley, Clerk.

Jones Association Adopts Resolution

The Baptist Record has received a copy of a Resolution adopted by the Jones County Association in which it urges that "we strengthen our denominational program of work with reference to temperance and that we cooperate fully with other Christian groups in the United Temperance Movement of the Nation."

The Resolution also went on record as "commending our officials for every step taken toward correcting the deplorable conditions existing in the (Jones) County," and commended the Grand Jury for "bringing to light the existing conditions."

The Resolution further urged "that we use our pulpits and all the organizations of our churches to teach total abstinence, that as many as possible may be led to a commitment not to drink, buy or sell intoxicating beverages."

The Resolution was signed by the committee composed of W. Levon Moore, Chairman; E. D. Crenshaw, Secretary; J. L. Mendor, and C. W. T. Jones, Moderator, and T. U. Collins, clerk.



SING ALL YE FAITHFUL — "O come let us adore him, O come, let us adore him." — (RNS Photo).

MIZE LICENSES JAMES F. WOOD

James F. Wood was licensed to preach by the Mize Church on November 25, and preached his first sermon there on Sunday morning, December 8.

Mr. Wood, a graduate of Clark College, received his B. S. degree from Mississippi Southern College. He has been teaching in public schools for three years.

This is the first preacher ever to be licensed by the Mize church, W. P. Blair, pastor;



Court Rules In Favor Of N. Y. Baptist Group

ALBANY (RNS) — The Court of Appeals here upheld an Appellate Division ruling that the New York Baptist City Society was entitled to real estate tax exemption for 1952-53.

The state's highest tribunal turned down an appeal by the New York City Tax Commission which had argued that the society's property was not used exclusively for charitable, benevolent or missionary purposes.



Pastor Recognizes 90-Yr.-Old Member

On Sunday, Dec. 1, Steen's Creek, Rankin, observed "Family Day." Recognition was made of the thirty-nine 100+ families present. Also the head of the largest family present was recognized, Mrs. Bill Taylor with 26 members of her family present, and the second largest—Tommy Therrell, with 22 members present.

Mrs. Fannie Bell Steen and Dr. R. N. Whitfield were recognized as the oldest active Sunday School teachers in the church.

Ed Burns, 90 years of age, was recognized as the oldest parent and member of Steen's Creek

Church. He was baptized into the membership of this church 78 years ago at the age of twelve when the church was log building near Steen's Creek from which it received its name.

Among other older members present was Miss Mattie Berry, 80 years of age, who has been a continuous member of this church since 1892, 65 years. Over 350 people were present for this service.

The above picture is the pastor, Rev. Robert Ledbetter, recognizing Ed Burns as the oldest parent and member of Steen's Creek Church.

Bethel Observes Layman's Day

Bethel Church in Copiah county observed Layman's Day on December 1, with the men filling the choir and a male quartet providing special music at both worship services.

Claud Ashley brought the morning devotional "What It Means to be a Christian." The pastor, Rev. Ace McVay, preached the morning sermon on the subject, "Be a Man for God."

Earnest Beasley delivered the Training Union devotional, "What BTU Means to Me." Archie Ashley and Joe White both spoke at the evening worship service, the former on "The Layman's Responsibility, in the Home" and the latter on "The Layman's Responsibility in the Church."

The Junior boys acted as ushers in both services.

Three Rankin County Churches Approve Resolutions

The Baptist Record has received identical resolutions from three churches in Rankin County going on record "believing in a segregated society and opposing a consolidation of the Southern and Northern (American) Baptist Conventions."

The Resolution further stated that "we believe that the Negro should have the rights and privileges of every other American citizen, but that he should not be integrated nor should the white people to accept something which is not to their best interest, and that some of our leaders are not following the wills and wishes of the people, and they are placing politics above Christian Baptist Principles of individual liberty and Democratic form of Church Government."

Each of the Resolutions was signed by the Resolutions Committee of the church. The churches are Concord, Antioch and Crossroads.

RALEIGH, N. C. — Clergy men here protested the action of the Raleigh Merchants Bureau in scheduling the annual Christmas parade for the Saturday preceding Thanksgiving.



Breland Accepts Tennessee Post

Concluding an eight year ministry with the Coldwater church, Philadelphia, Rev. Wilbur C. Breland, resigned Nov. 10 to accept a call to the First Church, Rutherford, Tenn.

During his pastorate the church went from half time to full time. The enrollment of both Sunday School and Training Union has almost doubled and the budget has tripled. The building has been completely remodeled and extra educational space added.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Breland have been active in the associational work. He served as Moderator for three years, Vice-Moderator for a number of years, and chairman of the Missions Committee when the Associational Missions program was enlarged by securing a Superintendent of Missions.

His college work came from Mississippi Southern and he was graduated from Southwestern in 1948. He was first called to the Laurel Hill and Bethesda churches before coming to Coldwater in November, 1949.

21,500,000 Baptist People In World

NASHVILLE — The Southern Baptist Handbook for 1957 shows there are approximately 21,500,000 Baptists in the world. North America has over 19 million, Europe more than a million, Asia more than 700,000.

Goodyear, Picayune States Disapproval Sale of Alcohol

Resolutions have been passed by the Goodyear Church, Picayune, and signed by Reamon Spiers, Chairman of Deacons; Mrs. Bonnie Saucier, Church Clerk; and Rev. Aubrey White, Pastor, heartily expressing the church's "unwavering and unalterable opposition to any movement, law, or alteration of any law that would make the sale of alcoholic beverages legal in the state of Mississippi."

As reasons for the resolutions the church stated "We believe that any beverage containing any amount of alcohol has addictive powers that are harmful and destructive to the body and mind, degrading to the high morals of society that we are trying to build. We believe that legal sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages in Mississippi would seriously harm and demoralize our high ideals that we have paid such a high price to elevate to high standards, such as home life, schools, social welfare and relations and economic prosperity."

Calvin Auditorium To Be Restored

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (RNS) — A 140,000 fund has been raised to restore historic Calvin Auditorium in Geneva, Switzerland, as a world Presbyterian and Reformed center.

The announcement was made by Dr. Harrison Ray Anderson of Chicago to the North American Area Council of the World Presbyterian Alliance at its annual meeting here. He is chairman of a restoration fund committee named by the general council of the alliance three years ago.

Dr. Anderson said the money was contributed by Christians on every continent.

Calvin Auditorium, erected in the 14th century, is a historic church where John Calvin, John Knox and Theodore Beza, Protestant reformers, taught and preached.



CHRISTMAS EVE—Protestants in Finland arrive at church in horse and sleigh to attend midnight services.— (RNS Photo).

Off The Record

A CAR screeched to a halt. A motorist was standing beside a tiny European sports car—completely overturned.

"Are you okay?" cried the driver.

"Sure," answered the man. "Why?"

"Well, how did the accident happen?"

"What accident?" was the answer. "I'm just changing a tire!"

One girl to another: "There's no denying he's a cad; but, on the other hand, so's his convertible."

Then there's the one about the lens-grinder who got his tie caught in the grinding wheels and made a spectacle of himself.

Texas cattleman overheard boasting to a visitor: "We don't brand them. We have them engraved."

It Was So Tough for Joe to get up in the morning that he went to his doctor who prescribed a pill. Joe took the pill, slept well, and was awake before he heard the alarm clock. He dressed and ate breakfast leisurely. Later he strolled into the office, and told the boss:

"I didn't have a bit of trouble getting up this morning."

"That's interesting," the boss said, "but where were you yesterday?"

At an eight-year old's birthday party, the adults rushed around frantically keeping the party going—organizing games, treasure hunts and races. In the midst of the confusion, one little boy asked: "When this is all over, can we play?"

Brunette: Where did your beautiful pearls come from? I hope you don't mind me asking?

Blonde: Not at all. They came from oysters.

Sign in a New York ice cream parlor: "Teen-age spoken here."

Paper Asks U. S. Launch 'Star of Hope' Satellite

BAKERSVILLE, N. C. (RNS) — A local newspaper publisher has proposed that the United States launch a "highly reflective" satellite at Christmas time as a "star of hope" and peace for the world.

John McConnell, co-publisher of the weekly Toe Valley View, said he would go to Washington to push his proposal. He said scientists could make the satellite so reflective that it would "outshine Venus."

The publisher said he had written evangelist Billy Graham, a friend, about the idea and had contacted Congressmen from North Carolina. Sen. Sam Ervin (D-N. C.) and Rep. Charles R. Jonas (R-N.C.) told him, he said, that they were "in sympathy with the idea that would help to focus the attention of the world on the cause of peace."

Mr. McConnell said Rep. Jonas suggested that he discuss the proposal with Dr. Alan T. Watterman, director of the National Scientific Foundation in Washington.